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# Introduction

This report on statistics is published annually as a complement to the operational and financial reviews covered in the annual report of the Workers' Compensation Board of B.C.

*Statistics 2000* contains statistics on three key areas of operation: claims, assessments, and prevention. This information provides both a general overview of the workers' compensation system, and trends of key statistical indicators. To allow for valid comparisons, the format of the tables and exhibits have been kept as consistent as possible with those used in previous years' editions of this report.

In February 2000, the Workers' Compensation Board revised the system it uses to classify employers into classes and subclasses of industry. For administrative purposes, the revised classes are now known as sectors, and the revised subclasses are now known as subsectors. When the new classification structure was introduced, historical records were converted to the new structure. It is, therefore, possible in *Statistics 2000* to publish statistical time series on a subsector basis.

There are a series of tables presented by subsector in *Statistics 2000* that were presented by subclass in *Statistics '99* and prior publications. These tables are: Table A-1, number of claims first paid in 2000 by type of claim and subsector; Table A-1, historical by subsector; Table A-1, number of fatalities, 10-year counts of fatal claims by subsector; Table A-2, claim costs charged by subsector and type of claim; Table B-1, days lost and accident type by subsector; and Table B-2, injury rates and claim durations by subsector. The Classes of Industry section, starting on page 53, lists the types of industrial activities that make up each subsector.

Since the introduction of the new classification system, a number of employers have been reclassified into new subsectors. These reclassifications are considered to be effective January 1, 2000, and this is the convention that is followed in *Statistics 2000*. The experience of these employers prior to 2000 is tabulated in the subsectors the employers were originally assigned to, and the experience of these employers in 2000 is tabulated in the subsectors they have been reclassified into. The impact of the reclassifications is very minor at the subsector level.

The publication *Occupational Injuries by Accident Type and Occupation in British Columbia, 1997, 1998 and 1999* is also available. Order your copy from the WCB Publications and Videos at 604 276-3068, toll free 1 800 661-2112, local 3068, fax 604 279-7406, or e-mail pubvid@wcb.bc.ca. For more detailed statistics on specific topics, contact the WCB Statistical Services Department at 604 276-3130, or send your information request by fax to 604 276-3290. Abstracts of reports published by Statistical Services are also available on the WCB WorkSafe™ online web site at www.worksafebc.com by following path: Topics/Reports & Statistics/Industry Trends.

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# Claim Statistics

## Reported Claims

The number of claims reported to the WCB in 2000 was 184,131 — a 3.3 percent increase from the 178,187 claims reported in 1999.

| Year | New Injuries Reported in the Year | Fatalities that Occurred in the Year and were Reported to the WCB by Feb 20 of the Following Year | Fatalities as a Percentage of New Injuries |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1991 | 203,740 | 183 | 0.09% |
| 1992 | 197,793 | 161 | 0.08% |
| 1993 | 195,117 | 169 | 0.09% |
| 1994 | 197,911 | 199 | 0.10% |
| 1995 | 194,280 | 200 | 0.10% |
| 1996 | 189,418 | 182 | 0.10% |
| 1997 | 185,852 | 195 | 0.10% |
| 1998 | 179,582 | 158 | 0.09% |
| 1999 | 178,187 | 179 | 0.10% |
| 2000 | 184,131 | 186 | 0.10% |

First payment was made for 156 occupational deaths in 2000. Twenty-one of the 156 cases were pensioners who died from causes related to their compensable injuries or diseases. The 156 fatal claims first paid in 2000 cannot be compared to the 186 fatalities in the above chart because some of the fatalities first paid in 2000 occurred in and were reported in a prior year, and because some of the reported fatalities are not compensable. The 186 fatal claims tabulated in the above chart are broken down in the table on the opposite page. The 156 fatal claims first paid in 2000 are broken down by subsector in Table A-1.

## Deaths Occurring in 2000 and Reported by February 16, 2001[1]

| | Adjudication Completed by February 16, 2001 | | | Awaiting Adjudication or Application[2] at February 16, 2001 | Total Deaths Occurring in 2000 and Reported by February 16, 2001 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Accepted | Disallowed[3] | Rejected[4] | | |
| Injury — Death and Accident Occurred in Same Year | 80 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 105 |
| Injury — Accident Occurred Prior to Year of Death | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Occupational Disease — Silicosis | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| Occupational Disease — Other than Silicosis | 35 | 20 | 1 | 18 | 74 |
| **TOTAL** | **122** | **25** | **6** | **33** | **186** |

[1] There were 12 deaths that occurred in 1999 but were not included in last year's table; they were reported to the WCB after February 18, 2000. All the deaths in this table occurred in 2000, but some of the accidents leading to the deaths occurred prior to 2000.

[2] Claims awaiting application typically involve cases where the deceased's relatives elect to sue a third party rather than claim compensation.

[3] Disallowed claims are those that are judged to be not work related.

[4] Rejected claims are those where the worker did not have WCB coverage. They were included in the "Awaiting Adjudication" column in previous versions of this table.

## Claims Accepted for Fatal Benefits in 2000 According to Agency[1] with Inspectional Jurisdiction

| | Workers' Compensation Board (Includes "Close-to-Shore" Fishing Fatalities)[2] | Ministry of Mines | Ministry of Transportation and Highways | RCMP/Other Police | | Transport Canada | Death Occurred Outside British Columbia | All Agencies |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Motor Vehicle Accidents | Other | | | |
| Injury — Death and Accident Occurred in Same Year | 47 | 1 | 2 | 30 | 3 | 8 | 3 | **94** |
| Injury — Accident Occurred Prior to Year of Death | 4 | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | **6** |
| Occupational Disease — Silicosis | 2 | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | **7** |
| Occupational Disease — Other Diseases | 47 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | **49** |
| **TOTAL** | **100** | **7** | **2** | **31** | **4** | **9** | **3** | **156** |

[1] This classification according to agency is done by the WCB.

[2] As of January 1, 1995, the WCB assumed inspectional jurisdiction of fishing fatalities that occur "close-to-shore."

## Claims Accepted for Fatal Benefits, 1991–2000, by Category of Injury or Disease

| Category of Injury or Disease | Year Accepted | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 1991–2000 |
| Injury — Death and Accident Occurred in Same Year[1] | 100 | 90 | 89 | 109 | 94 | 99 | 115 | 67 | 78 | 94 | 935 |
| Injury — Accident Occurred Prior to Year of Death | 8 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 7 | 10 | 6 | 65 |
| Asbestos Exposure | 18 | 24 | 12 | 21 | 22 | 35 | 26 | 29 | 34 | 35 | 256 |
| Other Disease | 15 | 29 | 17 | 15 | 14 | 10 | 17 | 22 | 25 | 21 | 185 |
| **TOTAL** | **141** | **146** | **124** | **152** | **134** | **152** | **164** | **125** | **147** | **156** | **1,441** |

[1] There were 94 fatal claims accepted in 2000 in which the death and accident occurred in the same year. For some of the 94 cases the death and accident occurred prior to 2000. The numbers for the other years are on the same basis.

## Number and Costs of Claims

During the year 2000, 140,020 claims were paid for the first time. Of those:

- 67,706 were health-care-only claims (formerly called medical-aid-only claims)
- 68,362 were short-term disability claims (formerly called wage-loss claims)
- 3,796 were long-term disability claims (formerly called permanent disability claims)
- 156 were fatal claims

In 2000, the WCB set aside $3,600,346 in capitalized values of pension awards for long-term disability benefits on hearing-loss claims.

Compensation costs totalled $1,000,647,277 in 2000, compared to $902,490,206 in 1999. The figures include health care benefits, vocational rehabilitation benefits, short-term disability benefits, and capitalized values of pension awards, which are reserves set aside for present and future payments of long-term disability benefits and survivor benefits. The 2000 figure excludes the $5,948,941 increase in widows' pension entitlement as ruled by the B.C. Supreme Court, and the 1999 figure excludes $7,028,815 for that reason. The benefit liabilities figures shown in Note 7 of the *WCB 2000 Annual Report* are calculated on a different basis and are not comparable to these total compensation costs.

## Distribution by Type of Claim

| | 2000 | | 1999 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **Cost** | **% of Total** | **Cost** | **% of Total** |
| Health-care-only Claims | $28,989,725 | 2.9% | $27,294,245 | 3.0% |
| Short-term Disability Claims[1] | $489,214,970 | 48.9% | $479,294,467 | 53.1% |
| Long-term Disability Claims[2] | $443,356,432 | 44.3% | $366,217,345 | 40.6% |
| Fatal Claims | $39,086,150 | 3.9% | $29,684,149 | 3.3% |
| **TOTAL[3]** | **$1,000,647,277[4]** | **100.0%** | **$902,490,206[4]** | **100.0%** |

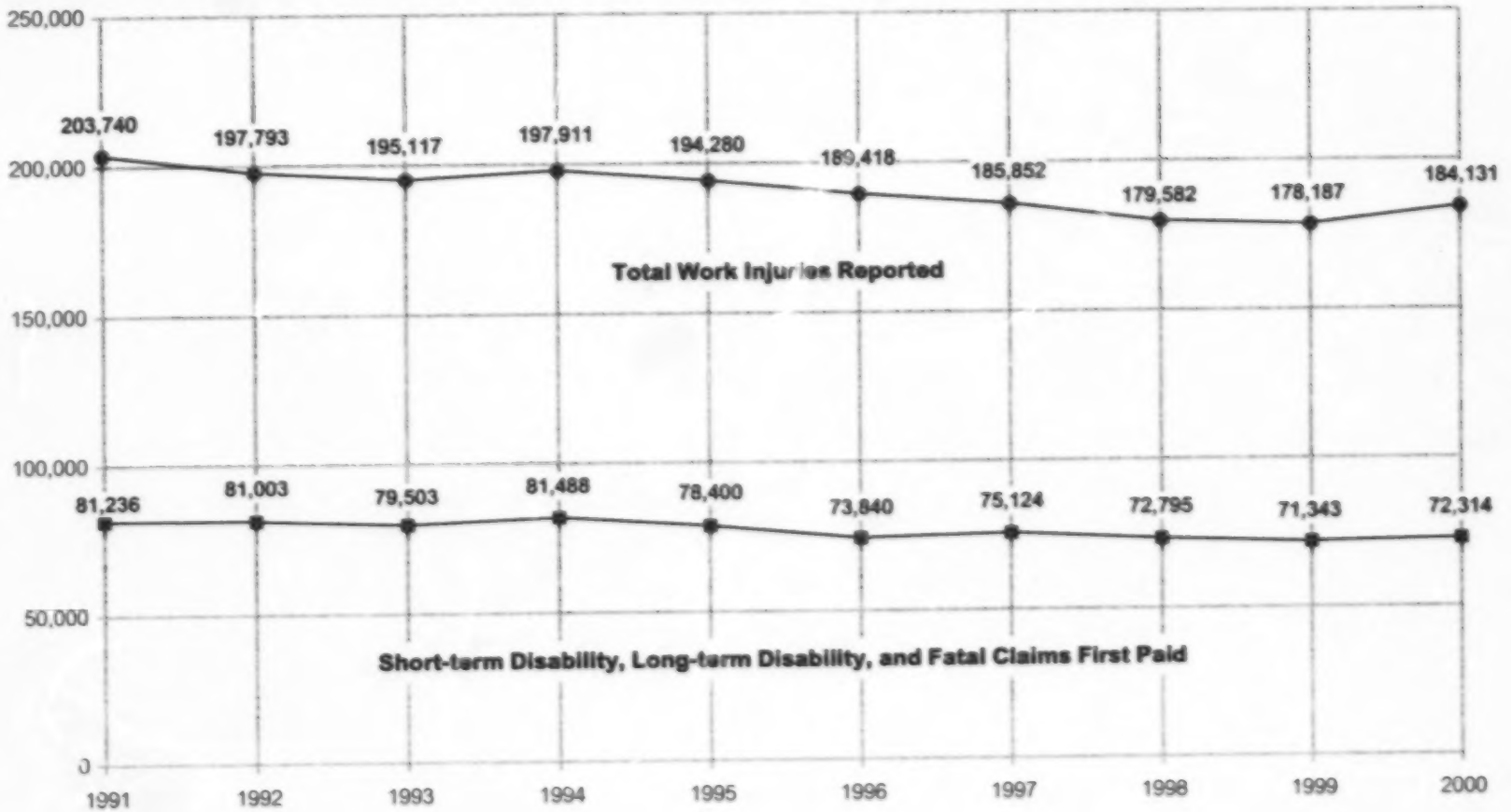
[1] Includes health care benefits paid on these claims.

[2] Includes health care and short-term disability benefits paid on these claims.

[3] Due to rounding, totals may not balance.

[4] The total cost of $1,000,647,277 was calculated on a different basis than the total claim liability figure in Note 7 of the *WCB 2000 Annual Report*. Both the 1999 and 2000 cost totals exclude the increase in widows' pension entitlement arising from *Bill 63* and the 1997 B.C. Supreme Court decision. A subsector breakdown of claim costs is provided in Table A-2 of this report.

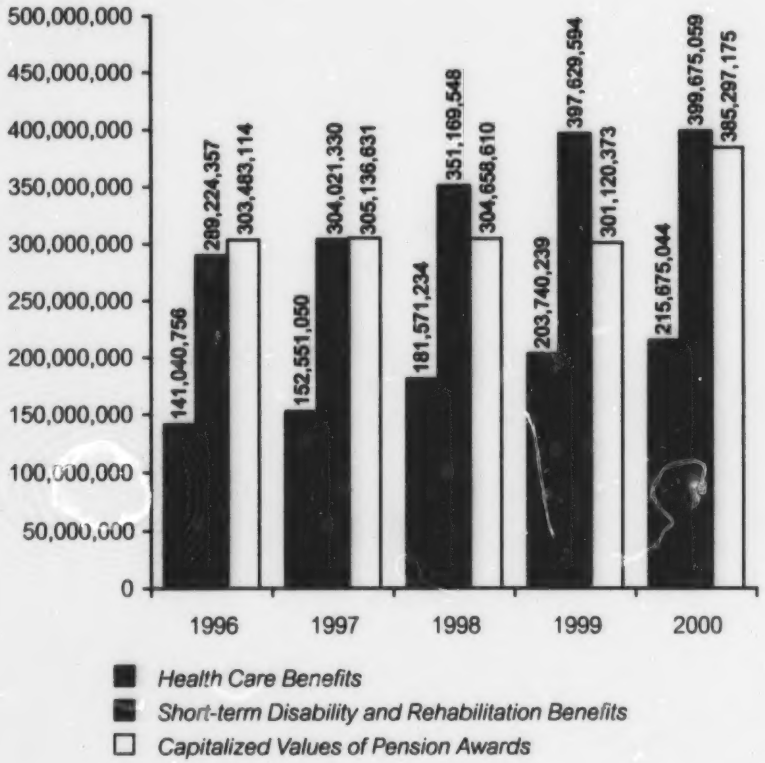
## The Total Number of Work Injuries Reported and the Total Number of Short-term Disability[1], Long-term Disability[2], and Fatal Claims First Paid During Each of the Years 1991–2000




[1] *Short-term disability* is the term for what was called *wage loss* in 1991 and earlier versions of this exhibit.

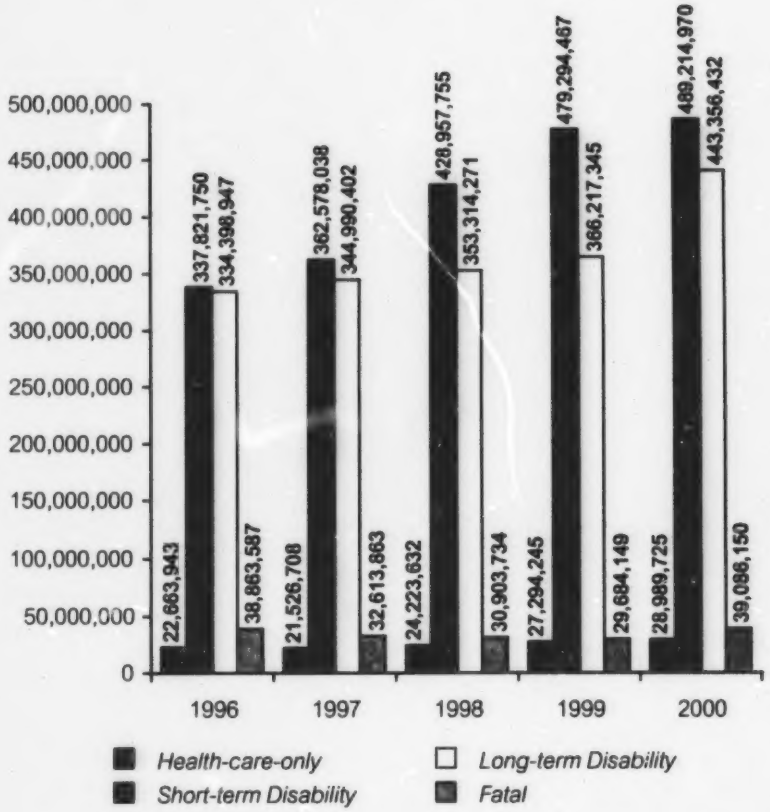
[2] *Long-term disability* is the term for what was called *permanent disability* in 1991 and earlier versions of this exhibit.

## Compensation Cost by Type of Benefit




1997, 1998, 1999, and 2000 Capitalized Values of Pension Awards exclude the increase in widows' entitlement arising from *Bill 63* and the 1997 B.C. Supreme Court decision.

## Compensation Cost by Type of Claim




1997, 1998, 1999, and 2000 fatal costs exclude the increase in widows' entitlement arising from *Bill 63* and the 1997 B.C. Supreme Court decision.

## Key Indicators in *Statistics 2000*

This series of charts of 10-year trends of statistical indicators first appeared in the *Statistics '92* report. Although none of the indicators has changed dramatically from one year to the next, over the last 10 years there have been some significant trends.

In 1994, *Bill 63* covered a number of industry groups for the first time under the *Workers Compensation Act*. The 10-year charts in this section include the *Bill 63* industries for each of the 10 years to make the 10-year trend valid. (The statistics for the 1991–1993 period have been adjusted to reflect what they would likely have been if *Bill 63* had been in effect since 1991.) The five-year trend shown in Table B-2 is also on the "including *Bill 63*" basis.

The first chart shows claim duration as measured in days per claim. Five components of duration are shown on the chart: days lost per claim in the injury year, and days lost per claim in each of the four years following the injury year. This is the Association of Workers' Compensation Boards of Canada (AWCBC) recommended method of showing duration that Canadian compensation systems have adopted as a standard. The chart indicates that duration has generally increased since 1991, but turned down in 2000.

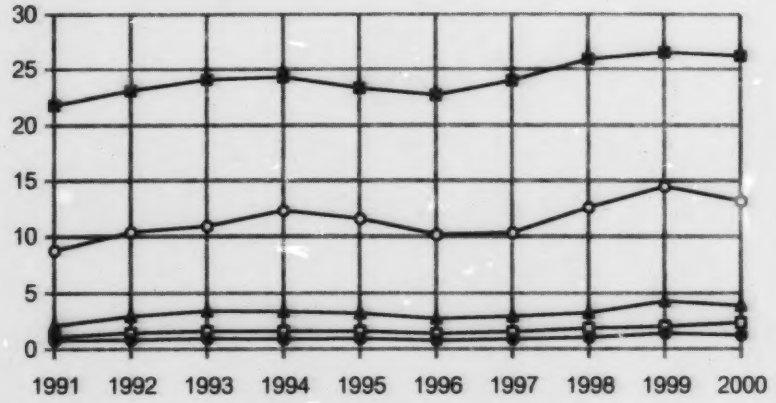
The second chart shows that one of WCB's most important statistical indicators — the injury rate — has declined steadily since 1991. The injury rate is the number of short-term disability claims per 100 person-years of covered employment (100 person-years is equivalent to 100 full-time employees). For the purpose of the injury rate calculation, the number of "short-term disability" claims is the number of claims accepted for short-term disability, long-term disability, or survivor benefits either in the year of injury or in the first quarter of the following year. The estimates of persons-years are based on gross payrolls that covered employers report to the Board.

The third indicator — the fatality rate — is related to the second indicator. The fatality rate is the number of accepted fatal claims per 100 person-years of covered employment. The fatality rate also shows an overall downward trend during the past 10 years.

The fourth chart shows the percentage of short-term disability claims represented by claimants whose injuries were back strains. Back strains have accounted for approximately 25 percent of all short-term disability claims for each year in the past 10 years. It is the type of injury the WCB sees most often.

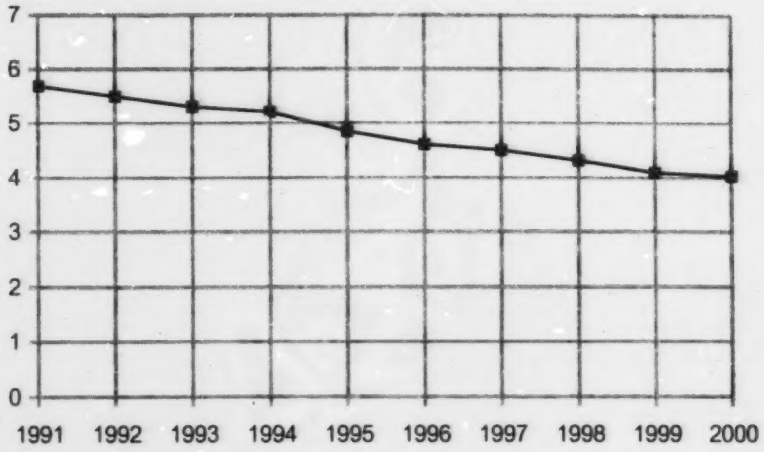
The last two charts reflect shifts in the population of covered workers. The fifth chart shows that the percentage of female claimants has increased from 23 percent in 1991 to 29 percent in 2000; the sixth chart shows that the percentage of claimants younger than 25 years of age has decreased from 19 percent in 1991 to 15 percent in 2000.

**Number of days paid per claim**



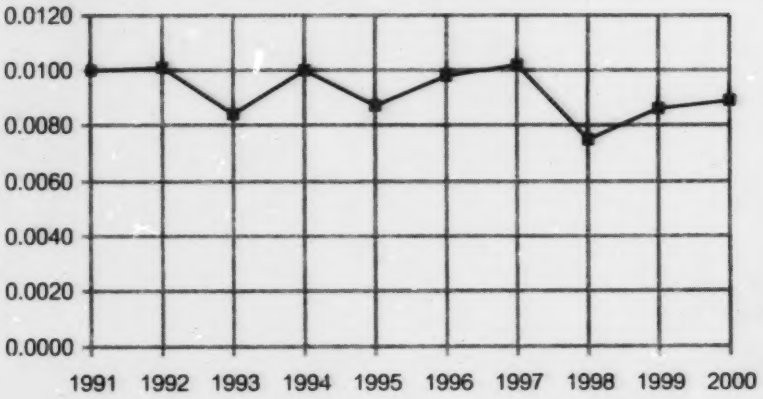

**Injury rate (number of short-term disability claims per 100 person-years of WCB-covered employment)**

**Includes the *Bill 63* industries for all years.**

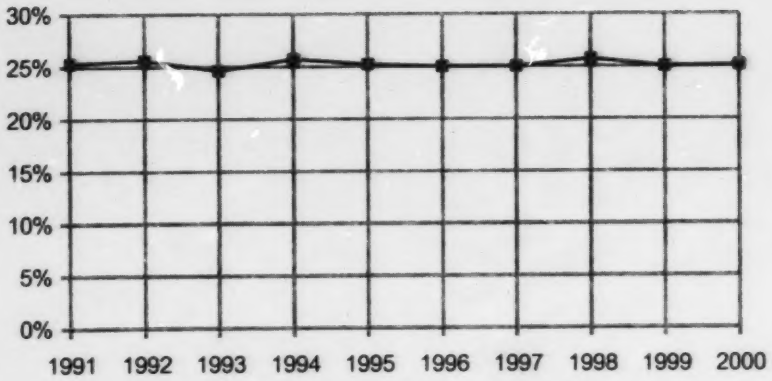



**Fatality rate (number of accepted fatal claims per 100 person-years of WCB-covered employment)**

**Includes the *Bill 63* industries for all years.**

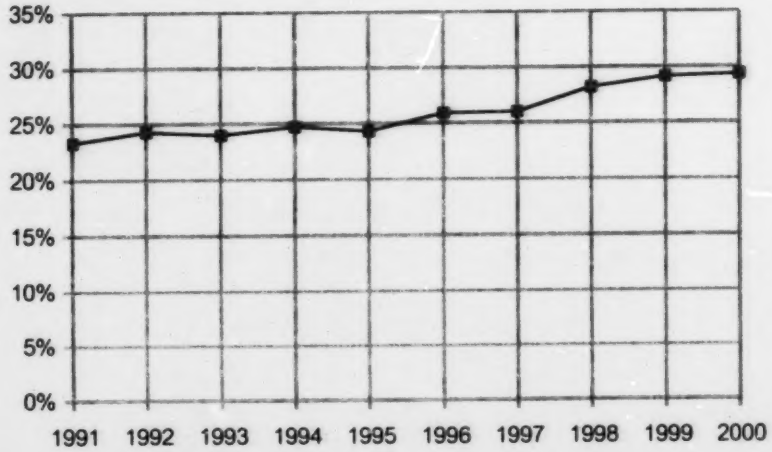


**Percentage of claimants with back strains**



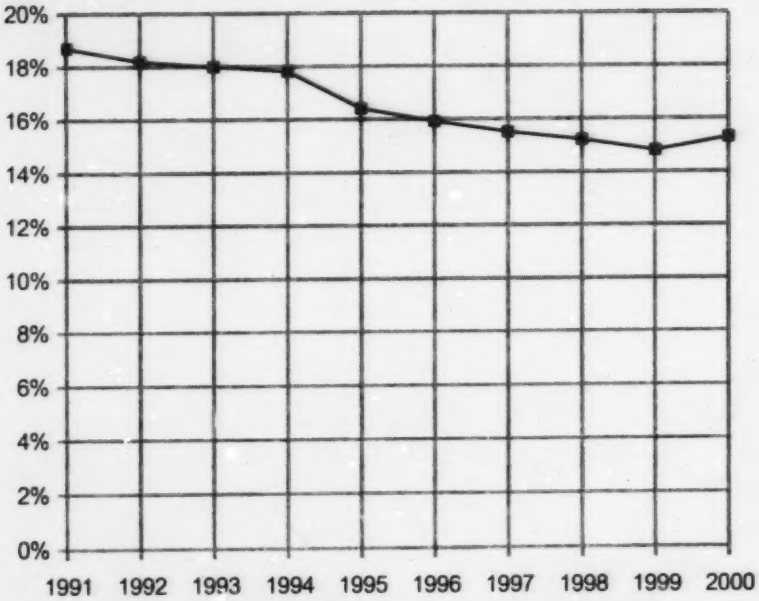

*Based on claimants receiving a first payment of short-term disability or long-term disability benefits in these years*

**Percentage of claimants who are women**




*Based on claimants receiving a first payment of short-term disability or long-term disability benefits in these years*

**Percentage of claimants less than 25 years old**




*Based on claimants receiving a first payment of short-term disability or long-term disability benefits in these years*

## Days Lost From Work

There were 3,491,934 days lost from work during 2000 due to occupational injuries and diseases. The "days lost" in 2000 are the days paid in 2000 on current year and prior years' injuries. Of the 3,491,394 days paid in 2000, 49.7 percent resulted from injuries and diseases that occurred in 2000, 26.9 percent resulted from injuries and diseases that occurred in 1999, and 23.4 percent resulted from injuries and diseases that occurred in 1998 and prior years.

The following is an analysis by sector and subsector of the days lost in the 1996–2000 period. The sectors and subsectors are described in "Classes of Industry" on page 53.

| Sector/ Subsector | Description | Days Lost in the Year on Claims from All Years | | | | | | Percent, 1996–2000 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 1996–2000 | |
| **Sector 70 — Primary Resources** | | | | | | | | |
| 7010 | Agriculture | 34,700 | 43,400 | 51,600 | 49,200 | 44,900 | 223,800 | 1.4% |
| 7020 | Fishing | 32,200 | 35,100 | 30,300 | 31,900 | 30,300 | 159,800 | 1.0% |
| 7030 | Forestry | 158,100 | 175,300 | 153,600 | 148,900 | 164,100 | 800,000 | 4.9% |
| 7040 | Oil and Gas or Mineral Resources | 44,800 | 44,100 | 46,500 | 44,000 | 40,100 | 219,500 | 1.4% |
| | **Total** | **269,700** | **298,000** | **282,000** | **274,000** | **279,400** | **1,403,100** | **8.6%** |
| **Sector 71 — Manufacturing** | | | | | | | | |
| 7110 | Food and Beverage Products | 83,600 | 90,700 | 109,100 | 114,900 | 112,900 | 511,200 | 3.1% |
| 7120 | Metal and Non-metallic Mineral Products | 130,000 | 142,500 | 154,700 | 175,500 | 157,900 | 760,700 | 4.7% |
| 7130 | Petroleum, Coal, Rubber, Plastic, and Chemical Products | 24,800 | 29,900 | 33,100 | 35,400 | 40,300 | 163,500 | 1.0% |
| 7140 | Wood and Paper Products | 212,300 | 227,100 | 235,400 | 234,900 | 250,700 | 1,160,300 | 7.1% |
| 7150 | Coal Mining | 27,300 | 31,900 | 41,700 | 43,700 | 44,200 | 188,700 | 1.2% |
| | **Total** | **478,000** | **522,100** | **574,000** | **604,400** | **606,000** | **2,784,500** | **17.1%** |
| **Sector 72 — Construction** | | | | | | | | |
| 7210 | General Construction | 339,800 | 361,600 | 372,900 | 356,900 | 357,000 | 1,788,200 | 11.0% |
| 7220 | Heavy Construction | 6,900 | 9,100 | 9,800 | 8,100 | 11,100 | 45,100 | 0.3% |
| 7230 | Road Construction or Maintenance | 30,600 | 32,500 | 38,100 | 37,100 | 37,600 | 176,000 | 1.1% |
| | **Total** | **377,300** | **403,200** | **420,800** | **402,100** | **405,800** | **2,009,300** | **12.4%** |
| **Sector 73 — Transportation and Warehousing** | | | | | | | | |
| 7310 | Warehousing | 12,400 | 14,800 | 18,700 | 21,600 | 23,200 | 90,600 | 0.6% |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related Services | 281,500 | 284,200 | 314,100 | 332,800 | 324,500 | 1,537,100 | 9.5% |
| | **Total** | **293,900** | **298,900** | **332,700** | **354,400** | **347,700** | **1,627,600** | **10.0%** |

| Sector/ Subsector | Description | Days Lost in the Year on Claims from All Years | | | | | | Percent, 1996–2000 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 1996–2000 | |
| **Sector 74 — Trade** | | | | | | | | |
| 7410 | Retail | 198,300 | 208,300 | 235,700 | 255,400 | 254,800 | 1,152,600 | 7.1% |
| 7420 | Wholesale | 51,000 | 55,200 | 61,700 | 69,200 | 54,100 | 291,300 | 1.8% |
| | **Total** | **249,300** | **263,600** | **297,500** | **324,600** | **309,000** | **1,443,900** | **8.9%** |
| **Sector 75 — Public Sector** | | | | | | | | |
| 7530 | Public Administration | **73,700** | **75,200** | **84,700** | **87,300** | **91,700** | **412,700** | **2.5%** |
| **Sector 76 — Service Sector** | | | | | | | | |
| 7610 | Accommodation, Food, and Leisure Services | 167,600 | 178,100 | 211,000 | 225,000 | 227,400 | 1,009,000 | 6.2% |
| 7620 | Business Services | 19,100 | 24,700 | 29,000 | 33,800 | 32,800 | 139,400 | 0.9% |
| 7630 | Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 25,700 | 30,200 | 33,500 | 38,500 | 33,100 | 161,000 | 1.0% |
| 7640 | Other Services | 173,800 | 194,000 | 206,600 | 237,000 | 227,000 | 1,038,500 | 6.4% |
| 7650 | Education | 55,300 | 60,900 | 72,800 | 82,300 | 79,400 | 350,600 | 2.2% |
| 7660 | Health Care and Social Assistance | 256,700 | 300,100 | 386,300 | 455,400 | 445,300 | 1,843,800 | 11.4% |
| 7670 | Utilities | 14,400 | 14,500 | 16,900 | 21,300 | 20,600 | 87,700 | 0.5% |
| | **Total** | **712,700** | **802,500** | **956,100** | **1,093,300** | **1,065,500** | **4,630,100** | **28.5%** |
| **Sectors 81 to 84 — Deposit Accounts** | | 108,900 | 105,900 | 97,400 | 128,800 | 137,600 | 578,500 | 3.6% |
| **Section 39** | | 278,300 | 212,200 | 272,700 | 337,500 | 249,300 | 1,349,900 | 8.3% |
| **Other** | | 300 | -200 | 1,300 | 500 | 100 | 1,900 | 0.0% |
| **TOTAL** | | **2,842,111** | **2,981,280** | **3,319,300** | **3,606,932** | **3,491,934** | **16,241,557** | **100.0%** |

## Percentage of Injuries by Gender of Worker

The first payment of short-term disability, long-term disability, or survivor benefits was made on 72,314 claims during the year 2000, an increase of 1.4 percent from the number made in 1999. Of these claimants, 71 percent were men and 29 percent were women.

## Number of Claims and Claim Costs by Provincial Regional District[1, 2] for 2000

| Provincial Regional District | | Number of Short-term Disability[3], Long-term Disability[4], and Fatal Claims First Paid in 2000 | Short-term Disability[3], Vocational Rehabilitation, Long-term Disability[4], and Survivor Benefits Charged in 2000[5] (Excludes Health Care Costs) |
|---|---|---|---|
| 01 | East Kootenay | 980 | $21,302,000 |
| 02 | Central Kootenay | 840 | $8,772,000 |
| 02a | Kootenay-Boundary | 380 | $7,668,000 |
| 03 | Okanagan-Similkameen | 1,030 | $14,804,000 |
| 04 | Columbia-Shuswap | 770 | $13,549,000 |
| 05 | North Okanagan | 1,290 | $15,564,000 |
| 06 | Central Okanagan | 2,530 | $15,739,000 |
| 07 | Thompson-Nicola | 1,650 | $20,852,000 |
| 08 | Cariboo | 790 | $13,108,000 |
| 09 | Squamish-Lillooet | 900 | $7,621,000 |
| 10 | Fraser-Cheam | 1,120 | $14,137,000 |
| 11 | Central Fraser Valley | 5,100 | $38,210,000 |
| 12 | Dewdney-Alouette | 1,570 | $18,728,000 |
| 13 | Greater Vancouver | 37,270 | $343,741,000 |
| 14 | Sunshine Coast | 290 | $6,339,000 |
| 15 | Powell River | 330 | $4,483,000 |
| 16 | Mount Waddington | 400 | $8,571,000 |
| 16a | Ocean Falls | 50 | $456,000 |

| Provincial Regional District | | Number of Short-term Disability[3], Long-term Disability[4], and Fatal Claims First Paid in 2000 | Short-term Disability[3], Vocational Rehabilitation, Long-term Disability[4], and Survivor Benefits Charged in 2000[5] (Excludes Health Care Costs) |
|---|---|---|---|
| 17 | Skeena-Queen Charlotte | 450 | $9,113,000 |
| 18 | Kitimat-Stikine | 640 | $19,954,000 |
| 19 | Bulkley-Nechako | 560 | $10,848,000 |
| 20 | Fraser-Fort George | 1,370 | $29,549,000 |
| 21 | Peace River-Liard | 760 | $12,721,000 |
| 22 | Stikine | 10 | $27,000 |
| 23 | Capital | 5,960 | $52,737,000 |
| 24 | Cowichan Valley | 1,040 | $15,724,000 |
| 25 | Nanaimo | 1,980 | $22,559,000 |
| 26 | Alberni-Clayoquot | 560 | $13,001,000 |
| 27 | Comox-Strathcona | 1,700 | $31,044,000 |
| **TOTAL[6]** | | **72,314** | **$790,921,175** |

[1] Some claims are classified according to the location of the head office of the firm rather than according to the actual location where the injury occurred.

[2] Claims uncoded at year-end have been allocated proportionately to the regional districts.

[3] *Short-term disability* is the new term for what was called *wage loss* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[4] *Long-term disability claims* is the term for what were called *permanent disability claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[5] Includes capitalized values of pension awards, not monthly pension payments. These figures include the $5,948,941 increase in survivor benefits arising from *Bill 63* and the 1997 B.C. Supreme Court Ruling. These claim costs are as charged in the year and, therefore, are on a different basis than the liabilities shown in Note 7 of the *WCB 2000 Annual Report*.

[6] Due to rounding, the regional totals and the grand totals may not balance.

## Number of Claims[1] First Paid in 2000 Analyzed by Subsector and Type of Claim[2] — Table A-1

| Sector/ Subsector | Description[3] | Health-care-only Claims[4] | Short-term Disability Claims[5] | Long-term Disability Claims[6] | Fatal Claims | Overall Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sector 70 — Primary Resources** | | | | | | |
| 7010 | Agriculture | 567 | 757 | 68 | 8 | 1,400 |
| 7020 | Fishing | 374 | 359 | 54 | 4 | 791 |
| 7030 | Forestry | 2,198 | 2,011 | 302 | 17 | 4,528 |
| 7040 | Oil and Gas or Mineral Resources | 1,074 | 316 | 103 | 8 | 1,501 |
| | **Total** | **4,213** | **3,443** | **527** | **37** | **8,220** |
| **Sector 71 — Manufacturing** | | | | | | |
| 7110 | Food and Beverage Products | 1,386 | 2,660 | 120 | 0 | 4,166 |
| 7120 | Metal and Non-metallic Mineral Products | 4,912 | 4,448 | 286 | 14 | 9,660 |
| 7130 | Petroleum, Coal, Rubber, Plastic, and Chemical Products | 1,014 | 1,102 | 41 | 1 | 2,158 |
| 7140 | Wood and Paper Products | 8,422 | 4,347 | 582 | 6 | 13,357 |
| 7150 | Coal Mining | 1,288 | 1,430 | 57 | 1 | 2,776 |
| | **Total** | **17,022** | **13,987** | **1,086** | **22** | **32,117** |
| **Sector 72 — Construction** | | | | | | |
| 7210 | General Construction | 6,980 | 5,707 | 555 | 30 | 13,272 |
| 7220 | Heavy Construction | 325 | 232 | 20 | 0 | 577 |
| 7230 | Road Construction or Maintenance | 517 | 468 | 43 | 1 | 1,029 |
| | **Total** | **7,822** | **6,407** | **618** | **31** | **14,878** |

| Sector/ Subsector | Description[3] | Health-care-only Claims[4] | Short-term Disability Claims[5] | Long-term Disability Claims[6] | Fatal Claims | Overall Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sector 73 — Transportation and Warehousing** | | | | | | |
| 7310 | Warehousing | 357 | 671 | 14 | 0 | 1,042 |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related Services | 3,194 | 5,533 | 325 | 36 | 9,088 |
| | **Total** | **3,551** | **6,204** | **339** | **36** | **10,130** |
| **Sector 74 — Trade** | | | | | | |
| 7410 | Retail | 6,056 | 6,476 | 160 | 3 | 12,695 |
| 7420 | Wholesale | 1,292 | 1,587 | 51 | 3 | 2,933 |
| | **Total** | **7,348** | **8,063** | **211** | **6** | **15,628** |
| **Sector 75 — Public Sector** | | | | | | |
| 7530 | Public Administration | **2,032** | **2,673** | **102** | **3** | **4,810** |
| **Sector 76 — Service Sector** | | | | | | |
| 7610 | Accommodation, Food, and Leisure Services | 6,461 | 6,518 | 156 | 6 | 13,141 |
| 7620 | Business Services | 743 | 710 | 23 | 0 | 1,476 |
| 7630 | Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 1,159 | 873 | 32 | 3 | 2,067 |
| 7640 | Other Services | 5,410 | 5,278 | 265 | 5 | 10,958 |
| 7650 | Education | 2,341 | 2,318 | 69 | 0 | 4,728 |
| 7660 | Health Care and Social Assistance | 5,542 | 8,184 | 159 | 0 | 13,885 |
| 7670 | Utilities | 641 | 422 | 40 | 1 | 1,104 |
| | **Total** | **22,297** | **24,303** | **744** | **15** | **47,359** |

| Sector/ Subsector | Description[3] | Health-care-only Claims[4] | Short-term Disability Claims[5] | Long-term Disability Claims[6] | Fatal Claims | Overall Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sectors 81 to 84 — Deposit Accounts** | | | | | | |
| 8108 | Canadian Pacific Ltd. and Associated Companies | 779 | 814 | 41 | 5 | 1,638 |
| 8110 | Federal Government | 732 | 88 | 40 | 1 | 861 |
| 8209 | Burlington Northern Inc. | 5 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| 8310 | Canadian National Railways, Via Rail, Air Canada | 266 | 323 | 15 | 0 | 604 |
| 8411 | Government of the Province of B.C. | 1,633 | 2,053 | 71 | 0 | 3,757 |
| | **Total** | **3,414** | **3,281** | **167** | **6** | **6,868** |
| **Section 39** | | | | | | |
| 39(1)(d) | Disaster Reserves | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| 39(1)(e) | Enhancement Reserves | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 5 |
| | **Total** | **0** | **12** | **1** | **0** | **13** |
| **Other[7]** | | **7** | **-11** | **1** | **0** | **-3** |
| **GRAND TOTAL** | | **67,706** | **68,362** | **3,796** | **156** | **140,020** |

[1] Claims can be reported in one year and paid in the next; some of the paid claims in this table, therefore, are not part of the total of claims reported in the Reported Claims table.

[2] Claims can change "Type" categories from one year to the next. The claim counts by type are, therefore, adjusted in order that claims aren't double counted. For example, if a claim counted this year as a short-term disability claim in Table A-1 becomes a long-term disability claim next year, a count would be added to next year's long-term disability count and subtracted from next year's short-term disability count. The count of short-term disability claims in Table A-1 can, therefore, be thought of as being the number of claims that get short-term disability benefits but don't go on to get long-term disability or survivor benefits. Similar adjustments are made for changes between other type categories.

[3] For a complete description of the subsector numbers, see "Classes of Industry" on page 53.

[4] *Health-care-only claims* is the term for what were called *medical-aid-only claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[5] *Short-term disability claims* is the term for what were called *temporary total claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[6] *Long-term disability claims* is the term for what were called *permanent disability claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[7] Includes claims uncoded to subsector at year-end.

## Number of Claims First Paid in 1991–2000 Analyzed by Type of Claim

**Table A-1 — Historical by Claim Type**

| Year First Paid | Health-care-only Claims[1] | Short-term Disability Claims[2] | Long-term Disability Claims[3] | Fatal Claims | Overall Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1991 | 68,614 | 77,664 | 3,431 | 141 | 149,850 |
| 1992 | 66,510 | 77,274 | 3,583 | 146 | 147,513 |
| 1993 | 56,186 | 75,601 | 3,778 | 124 | 135,689 |
| 1994 | 59,297 | 77,108 | 4,228 | 152 | 140,785 |
| 1995 | 68,823 | 73,762 | 4,504 | 134 | 147,223 |
| 1996 | 71,438 | 69,021 | 4,667 | 152 | 145,278 |
| 1997 | 73,020 | 70,745 | 4,215 | 164 | 148,144 |
| 1998 | 71,585 | 69,431 | 3,239 | 125 | 144,380 |
| 1999 | 65,398 | 68,671 | 2,525 | 147 | 136,741 |
| 2000 | 67,706 | 68,362 | 3,796 | 156 | 140,020 |
| **1991–2000** | **668,577** | **727,639** | **37,966** | **1,441** | **1,435,623** |

[1] *Health-care-only claims* is the term for what were called *medical-aid-only claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[2] *Short-term disability claims* is the term for what were called *temporary total claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[3] *Long-term disability claims* is the term for what were called *permanent disability claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

## Total of Health-care-only, Short-term Disability, Long-term Disability, and Fatal Claims First Paid in the Year, by Subsector, for 1999 and 2000

**Table A-1 — Historical by Subsector**

| Sector/ Subsector | Description[1] | Health-care-only Claims 1999 | Health-care-only Claims 2000 | STD/LTD/Fatal Claims 1999 | STD/LTD/Fatal Claims 2000 | Total 1999 | Total 2000 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sector 70 — Primary Resources** | | | | | | | |
| 7010 | Agriculture | 572 | 567 | 770 | 833 | 1,342 | 1,400 |
| 7020 | Fishing | 382 | 374 | 398 | 417 | 780 | 791 |
| 7030 | Forestry | 2,261 | 2,198 | 2,251 | 2,330 | 4,512 | 4,528 |
| 7040 | Oil and Gas or Mineral Resources | 1,021 | 1,074 | 430 | 427 | 1,451 | 1,501 |
| | **Total** | **4,236** | **4,213** | **3,849** | **4,007** | **8,085** | **8,220** |
| **Sector 71 — Manufacturing** | | | | | | | |
| 7110 | Food and Beverage Products | 1,507 | 1,386 | 2,919 | 2,780 | 4,426 | 4,166 |
| 7120 | Metal and Non-metallic Mineral Products | 4,776 | 4,912 | 4,677 | 4,748 | 9,453 | 9,660 |
| 7130 | Petroleum, Coal, Rubber, Plastic, and Chemical Products | 937 | 1,014 | 1,063 | 1,144 | 2,000 | 2,158 |
| 7140 | Wood and Paper Products | 8,275 | 8,422 | 4,938 | 4,935 | 13,213 | 13,357 |
| 7150 | Coal Mining | 1,130 | 1,288 | 1,356 | 1,488 | 2,486 | 2,776 |
| | **Total** | **16,625** | **17,022** | **14,953** | **15,095** | **31,578** | **32,117** |
| **Sector 72 — Construction** | | | | | | | |
| 7210 | General Construction | 6,635 | 6,980 | 6,119 | 6,292 | 12,754 | 13,272 |
| 7220 | Heavy Construction | 124 | 325 | 65 | 252 | 189 | 577 |
| 7230 | Road Construction or Maintenance | 616 | 517 | 540 | 512 | 1,156 | 1,029 |
| | **Total** | **7,375** | **7,822** | **6,724** | **7,056** | **14,099** | **14,878** |

| Sector/ Subsector | Description[1] | Health-care-only Claims | | STD/LTD/Fatal Claims | | Total | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 1999 | 2000 | 1999 | 2000 | 1999 | 2000 |
| **Sector 73 — Transportation and Warehousing** | | | | | | | |
| 7310 | Warehousing | 305 | 357 | 631 | 685 | 936 | 1,042 |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related Services | 3,322 | 3,194 | 6,072 | 5,894 | 9,394 | 9,088 |
| | **Total** | **3,627** | **3,551** | **6,703** | **6,579** | **10,330** | **10,130** |
| **Sector 74 — Trade** | | | | | | | |
| 7410 | Retail | 5,212 | 6,056 | 5,985 | 6,639 | 11,197 | 12,695 |
| 7420 | Wholesale | 1,470 | 1,292 | 2,005 | 1,641 | 3,475 | 2,933 |
| | **Total** | **6,682** | **7,348** | **7,990** | **8,280** | **14,672** | **15,628** |
| **Sector 75 — Public Sector** | | | | | | | |
| 7530 | Public Administration | **2,020** | **2,032** | **2,869** | **2,778** | **4,889** | **4,810** |
| **Sector 76 — Service Sector** | | | | | | | |
| 7610 | Accommodation, Food, and Leisure Services | 6,320 | 6,461 | 6,659 | 6,680 | 12,979 | 13,141 |
| 7620 | Business Services | 723 | 743 | 674 | 733 | 1,397 | 1,476 |
| 7630 | Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 1,024 | 1,159 | 859 | 908 | 1,883 | 2,067 |
| 7640 | Other Services | 5,236 | 5,410 | 5,573 | 5,548 | 10,809 | 10,958 |
| 7650 | Education | 2,235 | 2,341 | 2,387 | 2,387 | 4,622 | 4,728 |
| 7660 | Health Care and Social Assistance | 5,343 | 5,542 | 8,087 | 8,343 | 13,430 | 13,885 |
| 7670 | Utilities | 578 | 641 | 503 | 463 | 1,081 | 1,104 |
| | **Total** | **21,459** | **22,297** | **24,742** | **25,062** | **46,201** | **47,359** |

| Sector/ Subsector | Description[1] | Health-care-only Claims 1999 | Health-care-only Claims 2000 | STD/LTD/Fatal Claims 1999 | STD/LTD/Fatal Claims 2000 | Total 1999 | Total 2000 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sectors 81 to 84 — Deposit Accounts** | | | | | | | |
| 8108 | Canadian Pacific Ltd. and Associated Companies | 802 | 778 | 942 | 860 | 1,744 | 1,638 |
| 8110 | Federal Government | 724 | 732 | 120 | 129 | 844 | 861 |
| 8209 | Burlington Northern Inc. | 4 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
| 8310 | Canadian National Railways, Via Rail, Air Canada | 267 | 266 | 303 | 338 | 570 | 604 |
| 8411 | Government of the Province of B.C. | 1,563 | 1,633 | 2,117 | 2,124 | 3,680 | 3,757 |
| | **Total** | **3,360** | **3,414** | **3,482** | **3,454** | **6,842** | **6,868** |
| **Section 39** | | | | | | | |
| 39(1)(d) | Disaster Reserves | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 8 |
| 39(1)(e) | Enhancement Reserves | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 5 |
| | **Total** | **1** | **0** | **0** | **13** | **1** | **13** |
| **Other[2]** | | **13** | **7** | **31** | **-10** | **44** | **-3** |
| **GRAND TOTAL** | | **65,398** | **67,706** | **71,343** | **72,314** | **136,741** | **140,020** |

[1] For a complete description of the subsector numbers, see "Classes of Industry" on page 53.

[2] Includes claims first paid in 1999 and 2000 that were uncoded to subsector at year-end.

## Number of Claims Accepted for Fatal Benefits by Subsector and Year Accepted[1]

**Table A-1 — Number of Fatalities**

| Sector/ Subsector | Description[2] | Year Accepted for Fatal Benefits | | | | | | | | | | 1991–2000 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | |
| **Sector 70 — Primary Resources** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7010 | Agriculture | 3 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 44 |
| 7020 | Fishing | 4 | 3 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 4 | 2 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 54 |
| 7030 | Forestry | 16 | 17 | 23 | 21 | 18 | 27 | 23 | 14 | 17 | 17 | 193 |
| 7040 | Oil and Gas or Mineral Resources | 18 | 13 | 7 | 12 | 10 | 4 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 95 |
| | **Total** | **41** | **37** | **42** | **48** | **45** | **39** | **38** | **30** | **29** | **37** | **386** |
| **Sector 71 — Manufacturing** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7110 | Food and Beverage Products | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 |
| 7120 | Metal and Non-metallic Mineral Products | 10 | 24 | 10 | 10 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 10 | 21 | 14 | 133 |
| 7130 | Petroleum, Coal, Rubber, Plastic, and Chemical Products | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 |
| 7140 | Wood and Paper Products | 6 | 10 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 7 | 10 | 7 | 5 | 6 | 72 |
| 7150 | Coal Mining | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| | **Total** | **16** | **35** | **12** | **20** | **23** | **19** | **24** | **19** | **29** | **22** | **219** |
| **Sector 72 — Construction** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7210 | General Construction | 20 | 24 | 15 | 18 | 17 | 22 | 20 | 15 | 27 | 30 | 208 |
| 7220 | Heavy Construction | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 10 |
| 7230 | Road Construction or Maintenance | 1 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 31 |
| | **Total** | **23** | **27** | **18** | **22** | **21** | **26** | **30** | **21** | **30** | **31** | **249** |

| Sector/ Subsector | Description[2] | Year Accepted for Fatal Benefits | | | | | | | | | | 1991–2000 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | |
| **Sector 73 — Transportation and Warehousing** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7310 | Warehousing | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 6 |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related Services | 29 | 17 | 27 | 30 | 17 | 28 | 27 | 12 | 25 | 36 | 248 |
| | **Total** | **29** | **17** | **27** | **30** | **18** | **30** | **28** | **13** | **26** | **36** | **254** |
| **Sector 74 — Trade** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7410 | Retail | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 18 |
| 7420 | Wholesale | 1 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 20 |
| | **Total** | **4** | **7** | **1** | **7** | **0** | **2** | **3** | **6** | **2** | **6** | **38** |
| **Sector 75 — Public Sector** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7530 | Public Administration | **1** | **3** | **1** | **5** | **2** | **7** | **7** | **4** | **2** | **3** | **35** |
| **Sector 76 — Service Sector** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7610 | Accommodation, Food, and Leisure Services | 5 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 47 |
| 7620 | Business Services | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 12 |
| 7630 | Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 18 |
| 7640 | Other Services | 11 | 6 | 2 | 7 | 6 | 9 | 11 | 6 | 9 | 5 | 72 |
| 7650 | Education | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 10 |
| 7660 | Health Care and Social Assistance | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 13 |
| 7670 | Utilities | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 11 |
| | **Total** | **21** | **12** | **14** | **15** | **17** | **22** | **24** | **22** | **21** | **15** | **183** |

| Sector/ Subsector | Description[2] | Year Accepted for Fatal Benefits | | | | | | | | | | 1991–2000 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | |
| **Sectors 81 to 84 — Deposit Accounts** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8108 | Canadian Pacific Ltd. and Assoc. Companies | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 27 |
| 8110 | Federal Government | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 9 |
| 8209 | Burlington Northern Inc. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 8310 | Canadian National Railways, Via Rail, Air Canada | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| 8411 | Government of the Province of B.C. | 0 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 24 |
| | **Total** | **4** | **7** | **7** | **4** | **7** | **5** | **10** | **9** | **8** | **6** | **67** |
| **Section 39** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 39(1)(d) | Disaster Reserves | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| 39(1)(e) | Enhancement Reserves | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| | **Total** | **2** | **1** | **2** | **1** | **1** | **0** | **0** | **1** | **0** | **0** | **8** |
| **Other[3]** | | **0** | **0** | **0** | **0** | **0** | **2** | **0** | **0** | **0** | **0** | **2** |
| **GRAND TOTAL** | | **141** | **146** | **124** | **152** | **134** | **152** | **164** | **125** | **147** | **156** | **1,441** |

[1] Some claims accepted for fatal benefits have been previously accepted for long-term disability benefits. An example of claims in this category are disease claims like silicosis.

[2] Descriptions of the sectors and subsectors are in "Classes of Industry" on page 53.

[3] One of these two fatals involved carcinogenic exposure in more than one subsector. The other occurred to a worker on a training course while on WCB benefits for another injury.

## Claims Accepted for Fatal Benefits in 2000[1]

## Table A-1 — Fatality Descriptions

| Subsector | Description[2] | Year of Death | Occupation | Age[3] | What Happened |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7010 | Agriculture | 2000 | Electrician | 57 | Fell 19 feet from top of digester tank. |
| 7010 | Agriculture | 1999 | Berry Picker | 60 | Worker collapsed. Possible heart attack. |
| 7010 | Agriculture | 1999 | Ranch Hand | 61 | Thrown from horse. |
| 7010 | Agriculture | 1996 | Salad Picker | 32 | Motor vehicle accident. Vehicle struck tree and overturned. |
| 7010 | Agriculture | 2000 | Farm Worker | 27 | Motor vehicle accident. Head-on collision. |
| 7010 | Agriculture | 2000 | Ranch Worker | 28 | Murdered. |
| 7010 | Agriculture | 1998 | Rancher | 72 | Knocked off truck bed by a bull. |
| 7010 | Agriculture | 2000 | Labourer | 62 | Exposure to sunlight over several years. Malignant melanoma. |
| 7020 | Fishing | 2000 | Fisher | 36 | Worker fell and struck head. |
| 7020 | Fishing | 2000 | Fisher | 39 | Struck on head by swinging boom and block. |
| 7020 | Fishing | 2000 | Fisher | 45 | Worker went to assist co-worker who had fallen into water. Worker drowned. |
| 7020 | Fishing | 2000 | Fisher | 25 | Worker fell off boat and was caught in propellers. |
| 7030 | Forestry | 2000 | Landing Bucker | 38 | Run over by a loader. |
| 7030 | Forestry | 1999 | Chaser | 43 | Log rolled and pinned worker against stump. |
| 7030 | Forestry | 2000 | Landing Bucker | 52 | Struck by a log. |
| 7030 | Forestry | 2000 | Hook Tender | 26 | Log dislodged from a choker and rolled over worker. |
| 7030 | Forestry | 2000 | Faller | 42 | Struck by a falling tree. |
| 7030 | Forestry | 1997 | Unknown | 40 | Snowmobile went through ice on lake. |
| 7030 | Forestry | 2000 | Contractor | 53 | Motor vehicle accident. Vehicle overturned. |

| Subsector | Description[2] | Year of Death | Occupation | Age[3] | What Happened |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7030 | Forestry | 2000 | Logger | 57 | Motor vehicle accident. Worker thrown from vehicle. |
| 7030 | Forestry | 2000 | Mechanic | 51 | Worker was crushed between a forklift and the back of a truck. |
| 7030 | Forestry | 2000 | Faller | 57 | Snag fell and struck worker. |
| 7030 | Forestry | 2000 | Faller | 53 | Struck in head and chest by log being bucked. |
| 7030 | Forestry | 2000 | Faller | 40 | Struck by branch of tree being felled. |
| 7030 | Forestry | 2000 | Faller | 54 | Struck on head by a tree limb. |
| 7030 | Forestry | 2000 | Faller | 52 | Struck by a snag. |
| 7030 | Forestry | 2000 | Faller | 28 | Struck by tree fallen by co-worker. |
| 7030 | Forestry | 2000 | Faller | 75 | Worker was falling a tree when a snag struck him. |
| 7030 | Forestry | 2000 | Foreperson | 27 | Motor vehicle accident. Truck overturned. |
| 7040 | Oil and Gas or Mineral Resources | 2000 | Supervisor | 51 | Motor vehicle accident. Worker's vehicle collided with logging truck. |
| 7040 | Oil and Gas or Mineral Resources | 1999 | Mill Repair | 90 | Silicosis. |
| 7040 | Oil and Gas or Mineral Resources | 2000 | Miner | 68 | Silicosis. |
| 7040 | Oil and Gas or Mineral Resources | 2000 | Miner | 87 | Silicosis. |
| 7040 | Oil and Gas or Mineral Resources | 1999 | Miner | 86 | Silicosis. |
| 7040 | Oil and Gas or Mineral Resources | 2000 | Air Track Operator | 75 | Silicosis. |
| 7040 | Oil and Gas or Mineral Resources | 2000 | Mill Operator | 66 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7040 | Oil and Gas or Mineral Resources | 2000 | Supervisor | 63 | Machine went through ice, trapping worker underneath. |
| 7120 | Metal/Non-metallic Mineral Products | 1998 | Executive | 46 | Plane crash. |
| 7120 | Metal/Non-metallic Mineral Products | 2000 | Engineer | 80 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |

| Subsector | Description[2] | Year of Death | Occupation | Age[3] | What Happened |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7120 | Metal/Non-metallic Mineral Products | 1999 | Sandblaster | 41 | Worker passed out at work due to heat exhaustion. Fell and struck head. Cause of death: head injuries. |
| 7120 | Metal/Non-metallic Mineral Products | 2000 | Sheet Metal | 77 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7120 | Metal/Non-metallic Mineral Products | 2000 | Ship Builder | 82 | Exposure to asbestos. Asbestosis. |
| 7120 | Metal/Non-metallic Mineral Products | 2000 | Electrician | 84 | Exposure to asbestos. Asbestosis. |
| 7120 | Metal/Non-metallic Mineral Products | 1998 | Joiner | 57 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7120 | Metal/Non-metallic Mineral Products | 2000 | Pipelayer | 69 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7120 | Metal/Non-metallic Mineral Products | 1994 | Plumber | 67 | Exposure to asbestos. Lung cancer. |
| 7120 | Metal/Non-metallic Mineral Products | 2000 | Owner | 35 | Crushed in a compactor. |
| 7120 | Metal/Non-metallic Mineral Products | 1999 | Sheet Metal Worker | 84 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7120 | Metal/Non-metallic Mineral Products | 1999 | Plant Worker | 69 | Exposure to chemicals at plant. Cancer. |
| 7120 | Metal/Non-metallic Mineral Products | 2000 | Smelterman | 76 | Exposure to toxic substances at work. Bladder cancer. |
| 7120 | Metal/Non-metallic Mineral Products | 1999 | Labourer | 51 | Worker was pulled into take-up end of machine. |
| 7130 | Petroleum, Coal, Rubber, Plastic, and Chemical Products | 2000 | Truck Driver | 47 | Motor vehicle accident. Truck ran off road. |
| 7140 | Wood and Paper Products | 1994 | Engineer | 55 | Exposure to benzene in laboratory. Leukemia. |
| 7140 | Wood and Paper Products | 2000 | Technician | 71 | Exposure to asbestos at work. Mesothelioma. |
| 7140 | Wood and Paper Products | 1999 | Dip Driver | 56 | Worker witnessed a fatal accident at work. Cause of death: heart attack. |
| 7140 | Wood and Paper Products | 1999 | Mill Worker | 59 | Fell 20 feet in dry kiln, resulting in paraplegia. Subsequently died from a ruptured aorta aneurysm. |
| 7140 | Wood and Paper Products | 1999 | Boomman | 79 | Worker suffered an asthma attack. |

| Subsector | Description[2] | Year of Death | Occupation | Age[3] | What Happened |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7140 | Wood and Paper Products | 1999 | Saw Filer | 62 | Exposure to metal dust. |
| 7150 | Coal Mining | 2000 | Electrician | 56 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 1997 | Insulator | n/a | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Driller | 18 | Worker crushed by collapsing crane. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Drywaller | 63 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 1999 | Electrician | 68 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Electrician | 64 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Electrician | 64 | Stack of drywall tipped over, throwing worker off unguarded mezzanine. Worker fell 10 feet to floor. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 1999 | Carpenter | 40 | Suffered heat stroke while packing lumber. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 1997 | Carpenter | 49 | Scaffold collapsed and worker fell. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Contractor | 37 | Single motor vehicle accident. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 1999 | Labourer | 62 | Manually raising a framed wall when it fell and crushed worker. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Insulator | 69 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Carpenter | 76 | Working with sheet asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Owner | 50 | Worker was repairing truck transmission when vehicle rolled and crushed him. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 1993 | Sheet Metal Worker | 64 | Exposure to asbestos dust and fibres. Asbestosis. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Sheet Metal Worker | 60 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Swamper | 36 | Motor vehicle accident. Worker was driving pickup truck when it collided with a log truck. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Plumber | 71 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |

| Subsector | Description[2] | Year of Death | Occupation | Age[3] | What Happened |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Steam Fitter | 67 | Exposure to asbestos. Asbestosis. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Sheet Metal Worker | 67 | Exposure to asbestos. Asbestosis. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Plumber | 79 | Exposure to asbestos. Asbestosis. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Pipefitter | 68 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Technician | 72 | Worker fell from scissor lift. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Fabricator | 49 | Worker dropped an aluminum beam on his leg. Subsequently died from a pulmonary embolism. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 1999 | Carpenter | 77 | Fell from scaffold, sustaining a head injury. Subsequently died from pneumonia. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Carpenter | 76 | Fell 18 feet through hole in scaffold. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Labourer | 66 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Lead Hand | 35 | Piece of steel struck worker on head, causing him to fall 20 feet to ground. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Machinist | 73 | Steel plate fell on worker's head, resulting in paraplegia. Subsequently died from pneumonia. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Welder | 70 | Exposure to toxic substances, including asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2000 | Pipefitter | 58 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7230 | Road Construction or Maintenance | 2000 | Truck Driver | 18 | Motor vehicle accident. Truck overturned. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Heli-Pilot Instructor | 26 | Worker was training a student in a helicopter when it crashed. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Engineer | 59 | Exposure to asbestos while working on board ships. Mesothelioma. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 1999 | Mate | 50 | Worker fell off barge and struck head. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Tankerman | 72 | Fell from ladder and struck head, then fell into water. |

| Subsector | Description[2] | Year of Death | Occupation | Age[3] | What Happened |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Courier | 24 | Motor vehicle accident. Head-on collision. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 53 | Motor vehicle accident. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 1999 | Pilot | 60 | Airplane crash. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 38 | Crushed under bucket load. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 40 | Single motor vehicle accident. Truck ran off road. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 38 | Motor vehicle accident. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Driver | 57 | Slipped and fell to floor. Subsequently died from disease complications. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 42 | Motor vehicle accident. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 1996 | Truck Driver | 48 | Motor vehicle accident. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 67 | Worker was cinching down a load of lumber and suffered a heart attack. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 1999 | Truck Driver | 44 | Motor vehicle accident. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 29 | Motor vehicle accident. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 47 | Motor vehicle accident. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 57 | Motor vehicle accident. Truck ran off road. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 35 | Crushed between two large rollers while unloading truck. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 52 | Single motor vehicle accident. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 52 | Worker was a passenger in a truck involved in a motor vehicle accident. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 1999 | Truck Driver | 30 | Single motor vehicle accident. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 26 | Single motor vehicle accident. |

| Subsector | Description[2] | Year of Death | Occupation | Age[3] | What Happened |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 47 | Single motor vehicle accident. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Longshoreman | 35 | Struck by a forklift. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Pilot | 28 | Helicopter crash. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 1974 | Electrician | 31 | Motor vehicle accident. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Pilot Car Driver | 66 | Involved in motor vehicle accident. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Longshoreman | 62 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Seaman | 78 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Helicopter Pilot | 30 | Helicopter crash. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 57 | Worker was repairing a truck when it fell on him. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 36 | Single motor vehicle accident. Truck overturned. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 1998 | Truck Driver | 47 | Motor vehicle accident. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 32 | Motor vehicle accident. Vehicle ran off road. |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related | 2000 | Truck Driver | 52 | Motor vehicle accident. Loaded log truck went out of control. |
| 7410 | Retail | 2000 | Mechanic | 68 | Myelodysplastic syndrome. |
| 7410 | Retail | 2000 | Crane Operator | 44 | Crane rigging contacted power line. Electrocuted. |
| 7410 | Retail | 2000 | Truck Driver | 36 | Caught between two semi-trailers. |
| 7420 | Wholesale | 2000 | Delivery | 20 | Motor vehicle accident. Slid into oncoming traffic. |
| 7420 | Wholesale | 2000 | Truck Driver | 46 | Crushed between a mobile crane and a flat deck truck. |
| 7420 | Wholesale | 2000 | Forklift Operator | 42 | Caught between forklift and two pallets of tile. |
| 7530 | Public Administration | 2000 | Policeman | 36 | Motor vehicle accident while on motorbike. |
| 7530 | Public Administration | 1999 | Firefighter | 60 | Heart attack. |

| Subsector | Description[2] | Year of Death | Occupation | Age[3] | What Happened |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7530 | Public Administration | 1994 | Firefighter | 43 | Exposure to toxic chemicals. Cancer. |
| 7610 | Accommodation, Food, and Leisure Services | 2000 | Maintenance | 45 | Single motor vehicle accident. |
| 7610 | Accommodation, Food, and Leisure Services | 2000 | Unknown | 18 | Motor vehicle accident. |
| 7610 | Accommodation, Food, and Leisure Services | 2000 | Guide | 75 | Attacked by bear while on hunting trip. |
| 7610 | Accommodation, Food, and Leisure Services | 2000 | Manager | 39 | Murdered while trying to protect employee from assailant. |
| 7610 | Accommodation, Food, and Leisure Services | 2000 | Instructor | 40 | Worker was on hang glider that blew into power lines and then fell to ground. |
| 7610 | Accommodation, Food, and Leisure Services | 1999 | Owner | 63 | Single motor vehicle accident. |
| 7630 | Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 1999 | Supervisor | 44 | Single motor vehicle accident. Vehicle ran off road into ditch. |
| 7630 | Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 1999 | Special Effects | 41 | Worker suffered an allergy induced asthma attack. |
| 7630 | Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 2000 | Camera Assistant | 37 | Helicopter crash. |
| 7640 | Other Services | 2000 | Accountant | 32 | Motor vehicle accident. |
| 7640 | Other Services | 2000 | Mechanic | 57 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 7640 | Other Services | 2000 | Welder | 29 | Crushed by a falling metal fish ladder that was being repaired. |
| 7640 | Other Services | 1999 | Secretary | 48 | Murdered while working at home. |
| 7640 | Other Services | 2000 | Window Cleaner | 20 | Worker fell 23 storeys. |

| Subsector | Description[2] | Year of Death | Occupation | Age[3] | What Happened |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7670 | Utilities | 1999 | Dispatcher | 63 | Exposure to asbestos. Asbestosis. |
| 8108 | CP Ltd. and Assoc. Companies | 2000 | Railway Worker | 55 | Worker was switching track when a train backed over him. |
| 8108 | CP Ltd. and Assoc. Companies | 2000 | Miner | 84 | Silicosis. |
| 8108 | CP Ltd. and Assoc. Companies | 2000 | Miner | 78 | Silicosis. |
| 8108 | CP Ltd. and Assoc. Companies | 2000 | Millwright | 53 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 8108 | CP Ltd. and Assoc. Companies | 2000 | Welder | 76 | Exposure to asbestos. Mesothelioma. |
| 8110 | Federal Government | 1987 | Firefighter | 28 | Worker took own life due to pain arising from a work-related back injury. |
| 8411 | Government of the Province of B.C. | 1999 | Heavy Duty Mechanic | 57 | Motor vehicle accident. Head-on collision. |

[1] This table provides descriptions of the fatal claims accepted in 2000. There are 157 claims listed in this table. The count of fatal claims accepted in 2000 shown in Table A-1 is 156. The count of 156 reflects a -1 count arising from a claim disallowed in 2000 that had been accepted in 1999.

[2] For a complete description of the subsector number see "Classes of Industry" starting on page 53.

[3] Age at time of death of worker.

## Claim Costs Charged in 2000 by Subsector and Type of Claim (Claims From All Years) Table A-2

| Sector/ Subsector | Description[1] | Costs for Health-care-only Claims[2] | Costs for Short-term Disability Claims (Includes Health Care and Rehab Costs)[3] | Costs for Long-term Disability Claims (Includes Health Care and Rehab Costs)[4] | Survivor Benefits (Includes Health Care and Rehab Costs)[5] | Overall Total[6] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sector 70 — Primary Resources** | | | | | | |
| 7010 | Agriculture | 176,491 | 3,856,478 | 4,137,634 | 1,874,192 | 10,044,796 |
| 7020 | Fishing | 197,743 | 3,370,710 | 6,077,729 | 1,333,383 | 10,979,565 |
| 7030 | Forestry | 1,051,386 | 27,364,714 | 44,069,941 | 5,645,226 | 78,131,267 |
| 7040 | Oil and Gas or Mineral Resources | 774,139 | 7,446,337 | 14,304,029 | 1,033,541 | 23,558,047 |
| | **Total** | **2,199,758** | **42,038,239** | **68,589,334** | **9,886,343** | **122,713,674** |
| **Sector 71 — Manufacturing** | | | | | | |
| 7110 | Food and Beverage Products | 336,233 | 14,330,561 | 10,379,368 | 29,621 | 25,075,783 |
| 7120 | Metal and Non-metallic Mineral Products | 1,279,938 | 24,740,094 | 26,605,231 | 2,342,734 | 54,967,997 |
| 7130 | Petroleum, Coal, Rubber, Plastic, and Chemical Products | 206,822 | 5,153,724 | 3,610,067 | 455,373 | 9,425,985 |
| 7140 | Wood and Paper Products | 3,031,028 | 41,013,087 | 44,709,525 | 1,218,981 | 89,972,621 |
| 7150 | Coal Mining | 197,557 | 5,388,904 | 2,843,486 | 385,681 | 8,815,628 |
| | **Total** | **5,051,579** | **90,626,370** | **88,147,676** | **4,432,389** | **188,258,014** |
| **Sector 72 — Construction** | | | | | | |
| 7210 | General Construction | 2,032,613 | 48,027,208 | 60,163,268 | 6,057,698 | 116,280,787 |
| 7220 | Heavy Construction | 115,508 | 1,807,007 | 3,780,423 | -51,009 | 5,651,930 |
| 7230 | Road Construction or Maintenance | 224,124 | 5,694,696 | 7,413,941 | -131,324 | 13,201,437 |
| | **Total** | **2,372,245** | **55,528,911** | **71,357,632** | **5,875,365** | **135,134,154** |
| **Sector 73 — Transportation and Warehousing** | | | | | | |
| 7310 | Warehousing | 74,915 | 2,954,993 | 346,770 | 0 | 3,376,678 |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related Services | 1,022,806 | 42,864,214 | 32,590,986 | 10,236,897 | 86,714,904 |
| | **Total** | **1,097,721** | **45,819,208** | **32,937,756** | **10,236,897** | **90,091,582** |

| Sector/ Subsector | Description[1] | Costs for Health-care-only Claims[2] | Costs for Short-term Disability Claims (Includes Health Care and Rehab Costs)[3] | Costs for Long-term Disability Claims (Includes Health Care and Rehab Costs)[4] | Survivor Benefits (Includes Health Care and Rehab Costs)[5] | Overall Total[6] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sector 74 — Trade** | | | | | | |
| 7410 | Retail | 900,472 | 23,150,817 | 13,160,090 | 159,488 | 37,370,866 |
| 7420 | Wholesale | 234,931 | 7,085,848 | 5,391,809 | 162,201 | 12,874,789 |
| | **Total** | **1,135,403** | **30,236,664** | **18,551,899** | **321,689** | **50,245,655** |
| **Sector 75 — Public Sector** | | | | | | |
| 7530 | Public Administration | **491,786** | **13,263,705** | **8,093,185** | **1,902,282** | **23,750,959** |
| **Sector 76 — Service Sector** | | | | | | |
| 7610 | Accommodation, Food, and Leisure Services | 994,634 | 19,077,771 | 12,281,323 | 449,030 | 32,802,757 |
| 7620 | Business Services | 149,155 | 4,150,516 | 2,520,128 | 0 | 6,819,799 |
| 7630 | Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 242,501 | 4,502,716 | 3,701,097 | 1,938,357 | 10,384,672 |
| 7640 | Other Services | 1,257,799 | 29,330,208 | 22,196,576 | 983,855 | 53,768,439 |
| 7650 | Education | 520,895 | 10,985,813 | 4,345,557 | 0 | 15,852,266 |
| 7660 | Health Care and Social Assistance | 884,996 | 50,887,646 | 12,879,666 | -114,657 | 64,537,651 |
| 7670 | Utilities | 252,003 | 3,318,740 | 4,350,359 | -9,636 | 7,911,466 |
| | **Total** | **4,301,983** | **122,253,411** | **62,274,707** | **3,246,949** | **192,077,049** |
| **Sectors 81 to 84 — Deposit Accounts** | | | | | | |
| 8108 | Canadian Pacific Ltd. and Associated Companies | 354,772 | 4,638,606 | 3,561,224 | 612,836 | 9,167,437 |
| 8110 | Federal Government | 199,623 | 5,725,237 | 932,344 | -34,754 | 6,822,449 |
| 8209 | Burlington Northern Inc. | 1,220 | 16,130 | 7,208 | 0 | 24,557 |
| 8310 | Canadian National Railways, Via Rail, Air Canada | 115,192 | 2,010,270 | 1,186,149 | 0 | 3,311,611 |
| 8411 | Government of the Province of B.C. | 405,914 | 11,445,741 | 6,396,326 | 212,053 | 18,460,034 |
| | **Total** | **1,076,721** | **23,835,983** | **12,083,250** | **790,134** | **37,786,089** |

| Sector/ Subsector | Description[1] | Costs for Health-care-only Claims[2] | Costs for Short-term Disability Claims (Includes Health Care and Rehab Costs)[3] | Costs for Long-term Disability Claims (Includes Health Care and Rehab Costs)[4] | Survivor Benefits (Includes Health Care and Rehab Costs)[5] | Overall Total[6] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Section 39** | | | | | | |
| 39(1)(d) | Disaster Reserves | 169 | 4,224 | 83,438 | 1,013,806 | 1,101,638 |
| 39(1)(e) | Enhancement Reserves | 4,760 | 37,547,405 | 60,610,739 | 783,375 | 98,946,279 |
| | **Total** | **4,930** | **37,551,629** | **60,694,177** | **1,797,181** | **100,047,917** |
| **Reinstatement of Widows' Benefits [7]** | | **0** | **0** | **10,121** | **5,938,820** | **5,948,941** |
| **Other Costs Including Investigation and Unclassified [8]** | | **11,257,598** | **28,060,850** | **20,616,695** | **607,042** | **60,542,184** |
| **GRAND TOTAL [9]** | | **28,989,725** | **489,214,970** | **443,356,432** | **45,035,092** | **1,006,596,219** |

[1] For a complete description of the subsector number see "Classes of Industry" starting on page 53.

[2] *Health-care-only claims* is the term for what were called *medical-aid-only claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[3] *Short-term disability claims* is the term for what were called *temporary total claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[4] *Long-term disability claims* is the term for what were called *permanent disability claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[5] *Survivor benefits* is the term for what were called *costs for fatal claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[6] These claim costs are calculated on a different basis than the benefit liabilities shown in Note 7 of the *WCB 2000 Annual Report*.

[7] These additional survivor benefits arose from the 1997 B.C. Supreme Court decision regarding the reinstatement of widows' benefits.

[8] All rehab costs were included in "Other Costs" in 1997 and prior versions of this table. Since 1998, rehab costs are shown in this table in the subsector in which the costs were incurred.

[9] Due to rounding, the sector and subsector totals may not balance.

## Claim Costs Charged in 1991–2000 by Type of Claim (Claims From All Years)

**Table A-2 — Historical**

| Year Charged | Costs for Health-care-only Claims[1] | Costs for Short-term Disability Claims (Includes Health Care and Rehab Costs)[2] | Costs for Long-term Disability Claims (Includes Health Care and Rehab Costs)[3] | Survivor Benefits (Includes Health Care and Rehab Costs)[4] | Overall Total[5] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1991 | 18,404,811 | 271,848,643 | 194,683,600 | 25,312,463 | 510,249,517 |
| 1992 | 17,429,397 | 317,380,386 | 275,464,846 | 29,676,473 | 639,951,102 |
| 1993[6] | 18,400,564 | 353,310,938 | 323,353,200 | 115,971,993 | 811,036,695 |
| 1994[6] | 21,654,142 | 389,798,863 | 305,746,516 | 52,088,831 | 769,288,352 |
| 1995 | 23,809,585 | 381,071,309 | 284,766,515 | 29,082,255 | 718,729,664 |
| 1996 | 22,663,943 | 337,821,750 | 334,398,947 | 38,863,587 | 733,748,227 |
| 1997[6] | 21,526,708 | 362,578,037 | 344,990,402 | 410,040,756 | 1,139,135,903 |
| 1998[6] | 24,223,632 | 428,957,755 | 353,314,271 | 34,747,392 | 841,243,049 |
| 1999[6] | 27,294,245 | 479,294,467 | 366,217,345 | 36,712,963 | 909,519,021 |
| 2000[6] | 28,989,725 | 489,214,970 | 443,356,432 | 45,035,092 | 1,006,596,219 |
| **1991–2000[7]** | **224,396,751** | **3,811,277,118** | **3,226,292,075** | **817,531,805** | **8,079,497,749** |

[1] *Health-care-only claims* is the term for what were called *medical-aid-only claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[2] *Short-term disability claims* is the term for what were called *temporary total claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[3] *Long-term disability claims* is the term for what were called *permanent disability claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[4] *Survivor benefits* is the term for what were called *costs for fatal claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[5] These claim costs are calculated on a different basis than the benefit liabilities shown In Note 7 of the *WCB 2000 Annual Report*.

[6] Survivor benefits in 1993, 1994, and 1997 to 2000 include the additional reserves required by *Bill 63* and the 1997 B.C. Supreme Court decision, both of which increased the benefit entitlement of dependants of deceased workers. These amounts were: 1993 — $90,414,635, 1994 — $15,555,606, 1997 — $377,426,893, 1998 — $3,843,658, 1999 — $7,028,815, and 2000 — $5,948,941. The overall totals minus these amounts for the five years are: 1993 — $720,622,060, 1994 — $753,732,746, 1997 — $761,709,010, 1998 — $837,399,393, 1999 — $902,490,206, and 2000 — $1,000,447,277.

[7] Due to rounding, the subtotals and totals may not balance.

## An Analysis by Subsector of the 72,314 Short-term Disability[1], Long-term Disability[2], and Fatal Claims First Paid in 2000 and an Analysis of the Number of Days Lost During 2000 on Claims for All Years

**Table B-1**

| Sector/ Subsector | Description[4] | Days Lost[5] in 2000 on Claims for All Years | Avg. Weekly Wage | Short-term Disability, Long-term Disability, and Fatal Claims First Paid in 2000 — Number of Claims by Type of Accident[3]: No. of Claims | Struck Against | Struck By | Falls from Elevation | Falls on Same Level | Caught In | Rubbed or Abraded | Over-exertion, Bodily Motion[6] | Harmful Substances | Transportation | Miscellaneous |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sector 70 — Primary Resources** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7010 | Agriculture | 44,859 | 443 | 833 | 55 | 150 | 150 | 85 | 40 | 5 | 260 | 20 | 25 | 45 |
| 7020 | Fishing | 30,302 | | 417 | 20 | 55 | 20 | 25 | 25 | 5 | 175 | 30 | 55 | 5 |
| 7030 | Forestry | 164,137 | 961 | 2,330 | 85 | 585 | 370 | 290 | 95 | 50 | 600 | 105 | 135 | 15 |
| 7040 | Oil and Gas or Mineral Resources | 40,086 | 821 | 427 | 15 | 55 | 50 | 20 | 20 | 10 | 155 | 45 | 45 | 10 |
| | **Total** | **279,384** | **778** | **4,007** | **175** | **845** | **590** | **420** | **180** | **70** | **1,190** | **200** | **260** | **75** |
| **Sector 71 — Manufacturing** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7110 | Food and Beverage Products | 112,901 | 632 | 2,780 | 190 | 395 | 175 | 250 | 180 | 15 | 1,335 | 125 | 95 | 20 |
| 7120 | Metal and Non-metallic Mineral Products | 157,896 | 771 | 4,748 | 345 | 960 | 270 | 225 | 350 | 315 | 1,835 | 385 | 55 | 10 |
| 7130 | Petroleum, Coal, Rubber, Plastic, and Chemical Products | 40,262 | 568 | 1,144 | 75 | 200 | 60 | 65 | 100 | 20 | 545 | 60 | 10 | 10 |
| 7140 | Wood and Paper Products | 250,678 | 678 | 4,935 | 510 | 860 | 320 | 260 | 515 | 90 | 2,065 | 210 | 85 | 20 |
| 7150 | Coal Mining | 44,211 | 561 | 1,488 | 135 | 325 | 120 | 70 | 80 | 25 | 660 | 45 | 20 | 10 |
| | **Total** | **605,948** | **679** | **15,095** | **1,255** | **2,740** | **945** | **870** | **1,225** | **465** | **6,440** | **825** | **265** | **70** |

| Sector/ Subsector | Description[4] | Days Lost[5] in 2000 on Claims for All Years | Avg. Weekly Wage | Short-term Disability, Long-term Disability, and Fatal Claims First Paid in 2000 | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Number of Claims by Type of Accident[3] | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | No. of Claims | Struck Against | Struck By | Falls from Elevation | Falls on Same Level | Caught In | Rubbed or Abraded | Over-exertion, Bodily Motion[6] | Harmful Substances | Transportation | Miscellaneous |
| **Sector 72 — Construction** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7210 | General Construction | 357,042 | 715 | 6,292 | 470 | 1,170 | 1,030 | 425 | 240 | 190 | 2,320 | 275 | 120 | 50 |
| 7220 | Heavy Construction | 11,119 | 891 | 252 | 20 | 45 | 30 | 15 | 20 | 10 | 90 | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| 7230 | Road Construction or Maintenance | 37,647 | 814 | 512 | 10 | 85 | 75 | 45 | 20 | 10 | 195 | 20 | 45 | 5 |
| | **Total** | **405,808** | **729** | **7,056** | **500** | **1,300** | **1,135** | **485** | **280** | **210** | **2,605** | **305** | **175** | **55** |
| **Sector 73 — Transportation and Warehousing** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7310 | Warehousing | 23,162 | 667 | 685 | 30 | 100 | 60 | 45 | 35 | 10 | 335 | 10 | 60 | 0 |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related Services | 324,491 | 778 | 5,894 | 245 | 575 | 820 | 495 | 175 | 60 | 2,405 | 150 | 830 | 140 |
| | **Total** | **347,653** | **763** | **6,579** | **275** | **675** | **880** | **540** | **210** | **70** | **2,740** | **160** | **890** | **140** |
| **Sector 74 — Trade** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7410 | Retail | 254,838 | 493 | 6,639 | 510 | 1,075 | 380 | 565 | 205 | 45 | 3,405 | 140 | 190 | 125 |
| 7420 | Wholesale | 54,128 | 614 | 1,641 | 100 | 145 | 245 | 125 | 50 | 10 | 845 | 30 | 80 | 10 |
| | **Total** | **308,966** | **514** | **8,280** | **610** | **1,220** | **625** | **690** | **255** | **55** | **4,250** | **170** | **270** | **135** |
| **Sector 75 — Public Sector** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7530 | Public Administration | **91,716** | **818** | **2,778** | **120** | **295** | **250** | **290** | **65** | **40** | **1,405** | **105** | **130** | **75** |

| Sector/ Subsector | Description[4] | Days Lost[5] in 2000 on Claims for All Years | Avg. Weekly Wage | Short-term Disability, Long-term Disability, and Fatal Claims First Paid in 2000 — Number of Claims by Type of Accident[3]: No. of Claims | Struck Against | Struck By | Falls from Elevation | Falls on Same Level | Caught In | Rubbed or Abraded | Over-exertion, Bodily Motion[6] | Harmful Substances | Transportation | Miscellaneous |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sector 76 — Service Sector** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7610 | Accommodation, Food, and Leisure Services | 227,352 | 414 | 6,680 | 570 | 1,275 | 430 | 1,040 | 105 | 40 | 2,140 | 795 | 105 | 180 |
| 7620 | Business Services | 32,820 | 674 | 733 | 40 | 60 | 70 | 85 | 25 | 0 | 300 | 15 | 75 | 65 |
| 7630 | Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 33,065 | 778 | 908 | 50 | 145 | 115 | 95 | 0 | 15 | 350 | 30 | 65 | 45 |
| 7640 | Other Services | 227,040 | 631 | 5,548 | 375 | 800 | 435 | 485 | 205 | 245 | 2,470 | 230 | 195 | 105 |
| 7650 | Education | 79,364 | 812 | 2,387 | 130 | 255 | 200 | 370 | 35 | 30 | 1200 | 90 | 25 | 50 |
| 7660 | Health Care and Social Assistance | 445,330 | 726 | 8,343 | 315 | 715 | 210 | 785 | 105 | 15 | 5,370 | 355 | 60 | 410 |
| 7670 | Utilities | 20,574 | 975 | 463 | 15 | 35 | 70 | 55 | 5 | 10 | 245 | 15 | 15 | 0 |
| | **Total** | **1,065,545** | **633** | **25,062** | **1,495** | **3,285** | **1,530** | **2,915** | **480** | **355** | **12,075** | **1,530** | **540** | **855** |
| **Sectors 81 to 84 — Deposit Accounts** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8108 | Canadian Pacific Ltd. and Associated Companies | 32,797 | 731 | 860 | 45 | 100 | 75 | 50 | 40 | 10 | 445 | 55 | 30 | 10 |
| 8110 | Federal Government | 11,667 | 649 | 129 | 15 | 10 | 15 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 65 | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| 8209 | Burlington Northern Inc. | 200 | | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 8310 | Canadian National Railways, Via Rail, Air Canada | 12,061 | 906 | 338 | 10 | 25 | 25 | 20 | 10 | 0 | 200 | 20 | 20 | 10 |
| 8411 | Government of the Province of B.C. | 80,829 | 810 | 2,124 | 100 | 155 | 105 | 180 | 30 | 25 | 1,150 | 90 | 120 | 170 |
| | **Total** | **137,554** | **788** | **3,454** | **170** | **290** | **220** | **265** | **80** | **35** | **1,865** | **170** | **175** | **190** |

| Sector/ Subsector | Description[4] | Days Lost[5] in 2000 on Claims for All Years | Avg. Weekly Wage | Short-term Disability, Long-term Disability, and Fatal Claims First Paid in 2000 | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Number of Claims by Type of Accident[3] | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | No. of Claims | Struck Against | Struck By | Falls from Elevation | Falls on Same Level | Caught In | Rubbed or Abraded | Over-exertion, Bodily Motion[6] | Harmful Substances | Transportation | Miscellaneous |
| **Section 39** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 39(1)(d) | Disaster Reserves | 26 | | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| 39(1)(e) | Enhancement Reserves | 249,271 | | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | **Total** | **249,297** | | **13** | **0** | **0** | **0** | **0** | **0** | **0** | **5** | **0** | **0** | **10** |
| **Other[7]** | | **63** | | **-10** | **0** | **0** | **0** | **0** | **0** | **0** | **-10** | **0** | **0** | **0** |
| **GRAND TOTAL** | | **3,491,934** | **673** | **72,314** | **4,600** | **10,650** | **6,175** | **6,475** | **2,775** | **1,300** | **32,565** | **3,465** | **2,705** | **1,605** |

[1] *Short-term disability claims* is the term for what were called *wage-loss claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[2] *Long-term disability claims* is the term for what were called *permanent disability claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[3] Claim counts by type of accident have been adjusted for the effect of uncoded claims and therefore appear as rounded numbers.

[4] The sectors and subsectors are described in "Classes of Industry" on page 53.

[5] "Days lost" are as paid in the year on current and prior-year claims.

[6] Overexertion and bodily motion incidents usually result in strains, tenosynovitis, and related conditions.

[7] Includes claims uncoded to subsector at year-end.

## Days Lost, Average Weekly Wage, Average Age, and Breakdown by Gender for Short-term Disability, Long-term Disability, and Fatal Claims, 1991–2000

**Table B-1 — Historical[1]**

| Year | Total Days Lost[2] in the Year | Average Weekly Wage of Claimant[3] | Average Age of Claimant[3] | Number of Short-term Disability, Long-term Disability, and Fatal Claims First Paid in the Year, by Gender | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Males[4] | Females[4] | Total |
| 1991 | 2,727,318 | 587 | 35.4 | 62,280 | 18,950 | 81,236 |
| 1992 | 3,102,791 | 599 | 35.6 | 61,300 | 19,700 | 81,003 |
| 1993 | 3,271,064 | 614 | 35.8 | 60,400 | 19,105 | 79,503 |
| 1994 | 3,430,119 | 623 | 35.9 | 61,450 | 20,040 | 81,488 |
| 1995 | 3,211,740 | 646 | 36.4 | 59,480 | 18,920 | 78,400 |
| 1996 | 2,842,111 | 651 | 36.8 | 54,860 | 18,980 | 73,840 |
| 1997 | 2,981,280 | 653 | 37.0 | 55,480 | 19,645 | 75,124 |
| 1998 | 3,319,300 | 659 | 37.3 | 52,230 | 20,565 | 72,795 |
| 1999 | 3,606,932 | 665 | 37.6 | 50,285 | 21,060 | 71,343 |
| 2000 | 3,491,394 | 673 | 37.8 | 51,130 | 21,185 | 72,314 |

[1] This table gives a historical summary of selected statistics from Tables B-1 and D. Some figures for the years prior to 2000 have been revised.

[2] "Days lost" are as paid in the period on current and prior-year claims.

[3] These statistics are based on short-term disability, long-term disability, and fatal claims first paid in the year. Health-care-only claims are not included.

[4] The gender counts are rounded and, therefore, may not add up to the total.

## Injury Rates and Claim Durations for Rateable Subsectors, 1996–2000

**Table B-2**

| Subsector | Description | Injury Rate (Short-term Disability Claims[1] per 100 Person-years[2] of Employment) | | | | | Total Claim Duration[3,4] (Days per Claim) | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999[5] | 2000[6] | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
| 7010 | Agriculture | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 44 | 54 | 61 | 63 | 54 |
| 7020 | Fishing[7] | | | | | | 60 | 63 | 63 | 70 | 61 |
| 7030 | Forestry | 12 | 12 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 49 | 55 | 59 | 63 | 70 |
| 7040 | Oil and Gas or Mineral Resources | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 61 | 63 | 74 | 80 | 78 |
| 7110 | Food and Beverage Products | 12 | 12 | 12 | 11 | 10 | 30 | 33 | 39 | 42 | 43 |
| 7120 | Metal and Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 12 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 10 | 26 | 29 | 32 | 38 | 36 |
| 7130 | Petroleum, Coal, Rubber, Plastic, and Chemical Products | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 30 | 32 | 35 | 36 | 38 |
| 7140 | Wood and Paper Products | 7 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 40 | 45 | 51 | 54 | 53 |
| 7150 | Other Products | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 26 | 30 | 36 | 37 | 34 |
| 7210 | General Construction | 9 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 8 | 45 | 48 | 53 | 57 | 58 |
| 7220 | Heavy Construction[8] | 13 | 14 | 10 | 8 | 10 | 54 | 73 | 85 | 87 | 77 |
| 7230 | Road Construction and Maintenance | 6 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 49 | 53 | 69 | 71 | 76 |
| 7310 | Warehousing | 13 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 26 | 31 | 38 | 40 | 39 |
| 7320 | Transportation and Related Services | 11 | 11 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 48 | 48 | 53 | 59 | 59 |
| 7410 | Retail | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 35 | 37 | 40 | 45 | 44 |
| 7420 | Wholesale | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 27 | 30 | 33 | 35 | 31 |
| 7530 | Public Administration | 7 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 29 | 29 | 32 | 33 | 36 |
| 7610 | Accommodation, Food, and Leisure Services | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 29 | 30 | 34 | 37 | 37 |
| 7620 | Business Services[9,10] | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | 49 | 57 | 51 |

| Subsector | Description | Injury Rate (Short-term Disability Claims[1] per 100 Person-years[2] of Employment) | | | | | Total Claim Duration[3,4] (Days per Claim) | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999[5] | 2000[6] | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
| 7630 | Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 34 | 35 | 39 | 49 | 41 |
| 7640 | Other Services | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 34 | 36 | 39 | 46 | 44 |
| 7650 | Education | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 28 | 30 | 35 | 39 | 38 |
| 7660 | Health Care and Social Assistance | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 42 | 47 | 56 | 64 | 61 |
| 7670 | Utilities | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 29 | 31 | 37 | 44 | 50 |
| **All Subsectors[11]** | | **4.6** | **4.5** | **4.3** | **4.1** | **4.0** | **40** | **42** | **47** | **52** | **51** |

1 "Short-term Disability Claims" is the number of claims accepted for short-term disability, long-term disability, or survivor benefits either in the year of injury or in the first quarter of the following year.

2 One person-year is the equivalent of 52 paid weeks of employment, whether worked by one individual or several. Subsector estimates of person-years are based on gross payrolls submitted by employers and matching Statistics Canada wage-rate data (source: 72-002). This method of estimating person-years is in accordance with a convention established by the Association of Workers' Compensation Boards of Canada.

3 Total claim duration is a measure of the total days lost per claim on disability claims, including days lost in years beyond the year of injury. It is calculated according to a convention established by the AWCBC. A number of different methods can be used to calculate duration, therefore comparisons of duration statistics from different sources should be made carefully.

4 "Days lost" for subsectors where compensation is frequently paid on a "calendar day" basis have been adjusted so that they are on the same "work day" basis as the other subsectors.

5 Revised figures.

6 2000 person-years are based on preliminary estimates of payroll. The number of injuries that occurred in 2000 and will be accepted in the first quarter of 2001 is estimated.

7 Because of the difficulty in calculating estimates of person-years for subsector 7020 (most subsector 7020 employers don't report gross payrolls in the same way as employers in other rated subsectors), no injury rates are calculated for subsector 7020.

8 The 2000 injury rate for subsector 7220 is subject to additional uncertainty because of a sharp increase in activity in 2000.

9 Injury rates of less than 0.5 are shown as 0.

10 Many of the employers in this subsector have been covered by the *Workers Compensation Act* only since 1994, so complete durations can be computed only for the years 1998 to 2000.

11 The all-subsector figures include deposit account subsectors (not shown individually) as well as the rateable subsectors that are shown individually. The all-subsector figures include the *Bill 63* industries.

## An Analysis by Year of Injury of the Total Days Lost During 2000 and the Number of Short-term Disability[1], Long-term Disability[2], and Fatal Claims First Paid in 2000

**Table C**

| Year of Injury | Number of Short-term Disability[1], Long-term Disability[2], and Fatal Claims First Paid in 2000 | Total Days Lost in 2000 from all Claims[3] |
|---|---|---|
| 1952 | - | 53 |
| 1953 | - | 255 |
| 1955 | - | 260 |
| 1960 | - | 498 |
| 1962 | - | 522 |
| 1963 | 1 | 413 |
| 1964 | - | 579 |
| 1965 | - | 383 |
| 1966 | - | 124 |
| 1967 | - | 624 |
| 1968 | - | 883 |
| 1969 | - | 885 |
| 1970 | - | 217 |
| 1971 | - | 785 |
| 1972 | - | 1,692 |
| 1973 | - | 1,438 |
| 1974 | 1 | 1,865 |
| 1975 | - | 1,814 |
| 1976 | 2 | 1,930 |
| 1977 | 2 | 2,967 |
| 1978 | 2 | 3,091 |
| 1979 | 7 | 3,073 |
| 1980 | -1 | 3,676 |
| 1981 | 1 | 3,941 |
| 1982 | 1 | 2,189 |
| 1983 | 7 | 2,674 |
| 1984 | 2 | 3,537 |
| 1985 | - | 6,521 |

| Year of Injury | Number of Short-term Disability[1], Long-term Disability[2], and Fatal Claims First Paid in 2000 | Total Days Lost in 2000 from all Claims[3] |
|---|---|---|
| 1986 | 3 | 2,997 |
| 1987 | 5 | 5,865 |
| 1988 | 9 | 6,082 |
| 1989 | 7 | 7,462 |
| 1990 | 4 | 15,284 |
| 1991 | 12 | 13,343 |
| 1992 | 13 | 28,058 |
| 1993 | 17 | 33,217 |
| 1994 | 23 | 47,797 |
| 1995 | 35 | 69,284 |
| 1996 | 55 | 91,286 |
| 1997 | 112 | 171,504 |
| 1998 | 286 | 280,314 |
| 1999 | 5,500 | 937,859 |
| 2000 | 66,208 | 1,734,693 |
| **TOTAL** | **72,314** | **3,491,934** |

[1] *Short-term disability claims* is the term for what were described as *wage-loss claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[2] *Long-term disability claims* is the term for what were described as *permanent disability claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[3] These figures are work days compensated in 2000 on all claims, not just claims first paid in 2000.

## An Analysis by Sector[1] of Industry, Gender, and Age Group of the Short-term Disability[2], Long-term Disability[3], and Fatal Claims First Paid in 2000

**Table D**

**Number of STD, LTD, and Fatal Claims First Paid**

| Age Group[4] | Sector | | | | | | | | | Total No. of Claims | Gender[4] | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 70 | 71 | 72 | 73 | 74 | 75 | 76 | Deposit | Other[5] | | Male | Female |
| 19 and Under | 175 | 615 | 285 | 135 | 675 | 55 | 1,280 | 20 | 0 | 3,240 | 2,300 | 940 |
| 20–24 | 525 | 1,825 | 765 | 625 | 1,210 | 160 | 2,540 | 150 | 0 | 7,800 | 5,935 | 1,865 |
| 25–29 | 550 | 2,045 | 980 | 695 | 1,210 | 205 | 2,610 | 335 | 0 | 8,630 | 6,400 | 2,230 |
| 30–34 | 560 | 2,170 | 1,135 | 955 | 1,165 | 400 | 2,995 | 495 | 0 | 9,875 | 7,285 | 2,590 |
| 35–39 | 595 | 2,385 | 1,145 | 1,095 | 1,235 | 480 | 3,745 | 630 | 3 | 11,315 | 8,065 | 3,250 |
| 40–44 | 535 | 2,205 | 960 | 925 | 1,070 | 550 | 3,630 | 690 | 0 | 10,565 | 7,130 | 3,435 |
| 45–49 | 395 | 1,545 | 660 | 800 | 710 | 435 | 3,165 | 510 | 0 | 8,220 | 5,470 | 2,750 |
| 50–54 | 295 | 1,065 | 485 | 660 | 520 | 260 | 2,640 | 380 | 0 | 6,305 | 4,065 | 2,240 |
| 55–59 | 185 | 765 | 325 | 405 | 335 | 165 | 1,610 | 170 | 0 | 3,960 | 2,610 | 1,350 |
| 60–69 | 145 | 405 | 265 | 260 | 150 | 60 | 795 | 65 | 0 | 2,145 | 1,625 | 520 |
| Over 69 | 45 | 70 | 50 | 25 | 0 | 5 | 55 | 10 | 0 | 260 | 245 | 15 |
| **TOTAL** | **4,007** | **15,095** | **7,056** | **6,579** | **8,280** | **2,778** | **25,062** | **3,454** | **3** | **72,314** | **51,130** | **21,185** |
| **AVERAGE AGE** | **38** | **37** | **38** | **39** | **34** | **40** | **39** | **40** | | **38** | **38** | **39** |

[1] For a complete description of the sector numbers, see "Classes of Industry" on page 53.

[2] *Short-term disability claims* is the term for what were called *temporary total claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[3] *Long-term disability claims* is the term for what were called *permanent disability claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.

[4] Claims uncoded to age and gender have been proportionately allocated, and the counts rounded to the nearest five. Therefore, columns and rows may not add up to the totals shown.

[5] Includes claims not yet coded to a subsector and Section 39 of the *Workers Compensation Act*.

## An Analysis by Injury of the Short-term Disability, Long-term Disability, and Fatal Claims First Paid, 1996–2000

**Table E**

| Injury | Number of STD, LTD, and Fatal Claims First Paid[1] | | | | | | Days Lost[2], 1996–2000 | Short-term Disability, Long-term Disability, and Survivor Benefits[3], (Excludes Rehab and Health Care Costs), 1996–2000 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 1996–2000 | | |
| Abrasion | 2,300 | 2,160 | 1,870 | 1,670 | 1,700 | 9,700 | 61,800 | $13,774,000 |
| Amputation | 180 | 250 | 280 | 310 | 320 | 1,340 | 174,200 | $52,448,000 |
| Burn | 1,400 | 1,460 | 1,420 | 1,300 | 1,380 | 6,960 | 89,200 | $22,980,000 |
| Concussion | 440 | 500 | 680 | 760 | 880 | 3,260 | 242,400 | $65,042,000 |
| Contusion | 10,990 | 11,170 | 8,420 | 7,130 | 7,720 | 45,430 | 1,323,100 | $293,962,000 |
| Cut | 8,850 | 8,950 | 8,380 | 7,700 | 7,650 | 41,530 | 783,400 | $147,026,000 |
| Dislocation | 350 | 430 | 410 | 460 | 490 | 2,140 | 164,600 | $27,526,000 |
| Electric Shock, Electrocution | 80 | 100 | 70 | 70 | 90 | 410 | 21,300 | $16,425,000 |
| Fracture | 3,930 | 4,260 | 4,050 | 4,180 | 4,050 | 20,470 | 2,247,200 | $522,550,000 |
| Hernia | 400 | 370 | 420 | 470 | 430 | 2,090 | 102,800 | $10,169,000 |
| Back Strain | 18,450 | 18,780 | 18,730 | 17,800 | 18,170 | 91,930 | 3,809,600 | $617,380,000 |
| Other Strain | 19,380 | 19,810 | 20,640 | 21,100 | 21,210 | 102,140 | 4,989,400 | $717,834,000 |
| Multiple Injuries | 80 | 100 | 50 | 40 | 70 | 340 | 28,300 | $93,382,000 |
| Other Injuries | 140 | 140 | 140 | 220 | 410 | 1,050 | 85,300 | $74,146,000 |
| Occupational Disease[4] | 6,870 | 6,650 | 7,240 | 8,130 | 7,740 | 36,630 | 2,118,900 | $381,254,000 |
| **TOTAL[5]** | **73,840** | **75,124** | **72,795** | **71,343** | **72,314** | **365,416** | **16,241,557** | **$3,055,898,288** |

[1] Number of short-term disability, long-term disability, and fatal claims accepted in the year. Some of the figures for years prior to 2000 have been revised.

[2] "Days lost" are as paid in the period on current and prior-year claims.

[3] Includes short-term disability, long-term disability, and survivor benefits charged in the period on current- and prior-year claims. Excludes the increase in widows' pension entitlement arising from *Bill* 63 and the 1997 B.C. Supreme Court decision.

[4] In this table, "Occupational Disease" includes traumatic tenosynovitis, traumatic bursitis, and related conditions.

[5] The claim counts, days lost, and claim costs by injury category have been adjusted for the effect of uncoded claims and appear as rounded numbers. The columns, therefore, do not necessarily add up to the column totals shown.

## Back Strain Claims (Excluding Health-care-only Claims) Paid for the First Time During 1991–2000

**Table F**

| Year | Number of Back Strain Claims[1] First Paid in the Year | Total Number of Claims[1] First Paid in the Year | Back Strain Claims[1] as a % of Total Claims[1] | Days Lost[2] in the Year on Back Strain Claims | Days Lost[2] in the Year on All Claims | Days Lost[2] on Back Strain Claims as a % of All Days Lost[2] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1991 | 20,560 | 81,236 | 25.3% | 735,300 | 2,727,318 | 27.0% |
| 1992 | 20,750 | 81,003 | 25.6% | 841,900 | 3,102,791 | 27.1% |
| 1993 | 19,540 | 79,503 | 24.6% | 832,700 | 3,271,064 | 25.5% |
| 1994 | 20,900 | 81,488 | 25.6% | 923,000 | 3,430,119 | 26.9% |
| 1995 | 19,760 | 78,400 | 25.2% | 806,800 | 3,211,740 | 25.1% |
| 1996 | 18,450 | 73,840 | 25.0% | 693,500 | 2,842,111 | 24.4% |
| 1997 | 18,780 | 75,124 | 25.0% | 721,900 | 2,981,280 | 24.2% |
| 1998 | 18,730 | 72,795 | 25.7% | 784,100 | 3,319,300 | 23.6% |
| 1999 | 17,800 | 71,343 | 24.9% | 830,600 | 3,606,932 | 23.0% |
| 2000 | 18,170 est[3] | 72,314 | 25.1% | 779,500 est[3] | 3,491,934 | 22.3% |
| **1991–2000** | **193,440** | **767,046** | **25.2%** | **7,949,300** | **31,984,589** | **24.9%** |

[1] Excluding health-care-only claims. (*Health-care-only claims* is the term for what were called *medical-aid-only claims* in 1991 and earlier versions of this table.)

[2] "Days lost" are as paid in the year on current and prior-year claims.

[3] Claims uncoded at year-end have been proportionately allocated to the back strain category. This figure is an estimate.

# Assessment Statistics

## Classes of Industry

Effective January 1, 2000, all industries within the scope of the *Workers Compensation Act* are divided into 11 classes. For administrative purposes, these classes are represented as sectors within the Board's classification structure, as follows:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Class 1: | Primary Resources | Sector 70 | Primary Resources |
| Class 2: | Manufacturing | Sector 71 | Manufacturing |
| Class 3: | Construction | Sector 72 | Construction |
| Class 4: | Transportation and Warehousing | Sector 73 | Transportation and Warehousing |
| Class 5: | Trade | Sector 74 | Trade |
| Class 6: | Public Services | Sector 75 | Public Sector |
| Class 7: | General Services | Sector 76 | Service Sector |
| Class 8: | Building Construction, Canadian Airlines International Ltd., Canadian Pacific Hotels Corporation, Canadian Pacific Railway Company, Cominco Ltd., Express, Trucking and Hauling, Water Transportation | Sector 81 | Deposit Sector 8 (formerly Class 10) |
| Class 9: | The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company | Sector 82 | Deposit Sector 9 (formerly Class 18) |
| Class 10: | Air Canada, Canadian National Railway Company, Via Rail Canada Inc. | Sector 83 | Deposit Sector 10 (formerly Class 12) |
| Class 11: | British Columbia Assessment Authority, British Columbia Buildings Corporation, British Columbia Development Corporation, British Columbia Ferry Corporation, British Columbia Harbours Board, British Columbia Railway Company, British Columbia Systems Corporation, Canada — British Columbia Employment Development Programme, Dental Technicians' Board, Emergency Health Services Commission, Employment Bridging Assistance Programme, First Aid Ski Patrol, Government of British Columbia, Learners in Vocational Training School, Liquor Distribution Branch, Provincial Emergency Programme, Railwest Manufacturing Company, Workers' Compensation Board of British Columbia | Sector 84 | Deposit Sector 11 (formerly Class 13) |

Following is a detailed listing of the various industries to which the *Workers Compensation Act* applies:

## SECTOR 70 PRIMARY RESOURCES

**Subsector 7010 Agriculture**

Apiary
Artificial Insemination or Animal Breeding
Berry Farming
Composting
Dairy Farming
Egg Farming
Exotic Poultry Farming
Farm Labour Supply or Farm Services
Feed Lot or Stockyard
Fur Bearing Animal Farming
Grain Farming
Greenhouse
Hay or Seed Farming
Hog Farming
Hunting or Trapping
Orchard
Ornamental Nursery
Poultry Catching
Poultry Farming
Poultry Hatchery
Ranch
Riding Academy or Boarding or Raising Horses
Sod or Turf Nursery
Vegetable Farming
Vineyard
White Mushroom Farming
Wild Plant Harvesting

**Subsector 7020 Fishing**

Dive Fishing
Fin Fish Farming
Fish Hatchery
Fish Packing and Hand Picking
Fishing
Gillnet and Troll Fishing
Longline and Trap Fishing
Seine Fishing
Shell Fish Farming
Trawl Fishing

**Subsector 7030 Forestry**

Brushing and Weeding, Tree Thinning or Spacing (not elsewhere specified)
Cable or Hi-Lead Logging
Chemical Brushing and Weeding, Chemical Tree Thinning or Spacing
Dry Land Sort
Forest Fire Fighting
Ground Skidding, Horse Logging, or Log Loading
Integrated Logging
Log Booming
Log Processing
Logging Road Construction or Maintenance
Manual Tree Falling and Bucking
Mechanized Tree Falling
Shake Block Cutting
Tree Planting or Cone Picking

**Subsector 7040 Oil and Gas or Mineral Resources**

Clay, Peat, Soil, Topsoil Digging or Processing
Diamond Drilling, Seismic Drilling, or Shot Hole Drilling
Geological, Geophysical, or Geochemical Field Work
Oil and Gas or Mineral Exploration, or Prospecting
Oil or Gas Drilling

Oil or Gas Field Servicing (by means other than service rigs)
Oil or Gas Well Servicing (by means of service rigs)
Open Pit Coal Mining
Open Pit Metal or Mineral Mining
Placer Mining
Quarry
Seismic Exploration
Stone Crushing
Underground Coal Mining
Underground Metal or Mineral Mining

## SECTOR 71 MANUFACTURING

### Subsector 7110 Food and Beverage Products

Abattoir
Alcoholic Beverage Manufacture
Animal Feed or Supplement Manufacture or Packaging
Baked Goods Manufacture
Butter, Cheese, or Ice Cream Manufacture
Candy or Chocolate Manufacture
Cereal, Biscuit, Taco or Rice Product, Pasta, or Other Dry Food Product Manufacture (not elsewhere specified)
Coffee, Tea, Herb or Spice Packaging or Manufacture
Fish Canning
Fish Processing or Fish Reduction
Flour Mill or Rice Mill
Food Product Manufacture (not elsewhere specified)
Fruit or Vegetable Canning, Bottling or Processing, or Fruit or Vegetable Product Manufacture
Ice Manufacture
Liquid Dairy Product Manufacture
Meat Canning or Canned Meat Product Manufacture
Meat Cutting, Packing, or Processing
Non-Alcoholic Beverage Manufacture or Water Bottling
Poultry Processing
Sausage or Sausage Casing Manufacture
Smoked, Cured or Prepared Meat Product Manufacture (not elsewhere specified)
Sugar Refining and Packaging

### Subsector 7120 Metal and Non-Metallic Mineral Products

Aircraft, Automobile or Truck Assembly
Auto Spring or Chain Manufacture
Boiler, Tank or Furnace Manufacture
Cement Manufacture
Ceramic or Terra Cotta Tile, Clay Brick or other Ceramic, or Clay Product Manufacture (not elsewhere specified)
Commercial Marine Vessel Manufacture, Service or Repair
Concrete Product Manufacture
Control Panel Manufacture, Installation, Service or Repair
Die Casting
Dry Dock or Marine Railway
Electrical Switchgear or Transformer Manufacture, Installation, Service or Repair
Elevator or Escalator Manufacture, Installation, Service or Repair
Engine or Cylinder Manufacture or Rebuilding or Automobile Part Manufacture
Fishing Tackle Manufacture
Foundry
Fuel Cell Manufacture
Galvanizing, Electroplating, or Protection Plating
Gypsum Product Manufacture
Heavy Equipment, Machinery, or Parts Manufacture or Installation (greater than 500 lbs weight)
Industrial Saw Blade Manufacture, Sharpening, Service, or Repair
Light Industrial Equipment, Machinery, or Power Tool Manufacture (less than 500 lbs weight)
Lime Kiln or Lime Manufacture
Machine Shop

Metal Bed, Furniture or Ladder Manufacture
Metal Can or Tinware Product Manufacture
Metal Door, Screen Door or Aluminum Window Manufacture
Metal Fastener Manufacture
Metal Pipe or Fitting Manufacture
Metal Product Manufacture (not elsewhere specified)
Metal Railing or Gate Manufacture
Metal Recycling
Powder Coating or Metal Enamelling
Precision Instrument Manufacture
Ready Mix Concrete Manufacture and Delivery
Sheet Metal Fabrication
Smelter
Soil, Topsoil, Peat or Other Similar Gardening Material Packaging
Stone or Marble Cutting, Dressing, Shaping, or Lettering, or Stone or Marble Product Manufacture
Structural Concrete Product Manufacture
Structural Metal Product Fabrication
Tool and Die Making
Truck Body or Trailer Manufacture
Wire, Cable or Other Wire Product Manufacture (not elsewhere specified)
Wood Mill Saw Manufacture

**Subsector 7130** **Petroleum, Coal, Rubber, Plastic, and Chemical Products**

Acid, Base, Salt, Chemical or Dye Manufacture (not elsewhere specified)
Asphalt or Tar Roofing Product Manufacture
Battery Manufacture
Candle, Polish or Other Wax Product Manufacture
Chemical Pesticide or Herbicide Manufacture
Compressed or Liquefied Gas Manufacture
Cosmetic Product or Beauty Aid Manufacture
Drug, Vitamin or Pharmaceutical Manufacture
Explosives, Fireworks or Munitions Manufacture
Fertilizer Manufacture
Fibreglass Insulation Manufacture
Fibreglass or Cultured Marble Product or Acrylic Household Fixture Manufacture
Foam Product Manufacture
Glue or Adhesive Manufacture
Industrial Rubber Belt Manufacture, Installation, Service, or Repair
Ink Manufacture
Oil or Gas Production
Oil Refining, Oil Recycling, or Operation of Fuel Storage Tanks
Paint, Putty, Stain, Sealant, Wood Filler, Varnish, or Waterproofing Agent Manufacture
Petrochemical Manufacture
Plastic Colour Concentrate Manufacture
Plastic Film Extrusion and Flexible Packaging Manufacture
Plastic or Rubber Recycling
Plastic Product Manufacture (by blow moulding)
Plastic Product Manufacture (by profile extrusion)
Plastic Product Manufacture (by rotational moulding or liquid moulding)
Plastic Product Manufacture (by thermoforming, injection moulding, or other moulding processes (not elsewhere specified)
Post Extrusion Fabrication of Plastic Products
Rubber Mat, Mattress or Life Raft Manufacture
Small Rubber or Plastic Product Manufacture
Soap, Bleach or Cleaning Compound Manufacture
Synthetic Resin Compound Manufacture
Tire Retreading or Recapping

**Subsector 7140** **Wood and Paper Products**

Cardboard or Paper Container Manufacture
Chemical Pulp and Paper Mill
Coffin or Casket Manufacture
Custom Wood Kiln
Envelope Manufacture
Flush Door Manufacture
Furniture Refinishing or Restoration
Laminated Wood Structural Support Product Manufacture
Mechanical Pulp and Paper Mill
Oriented Strand Board Manufacture
Paper Product Manufacture (not elsewhere specified)
Paper Recycling or Cellulose Insulation Manufacture
Planing Mill
Portable Wood Mill
Pre-Hung Door Assembly
Prefabricated Log Home Kit Manufacture
Pressed Board Manufacture (not elsewhere specified)
Printing
Sawmill
Shake or Shingle Mill
Stationery Manufacture
Stile and Rail Door Manufacture
Upholstering
Veneer or Plywood Manufacture
Wood Chip Mill
Wood Preserving
Wood Window Manufacture
Wooden Box, Crate, Pallet or Lath Manufacture
Wooden Component Manufacture (not elsewhere specified)
Wooden Fence or Gate Manufacture
Wooden Furniture Manufacture
Wooden Moulding Manufacture
Wooden Musical Instrument Manufacture
Wooden Post or Pole Manufacture
Wooden Product Manufacture (not elsewhere specified)
Wooden Toy Manufacture
Wooden Truss Manufacture
Woodworking or Carpentry Shop

**Subsector 7150** **Other Products (not elsewhere specified)**

Art, Craft or Ornament Manufacture
Awning or Awning Sign Manufacture
Blind or Drapery Track Manufacture
Brush, Broom or Mop Manufacture
Canvas or Nylon Product Manufacture (not elsewhere specified)
Carpet or Rug Manufacture
Clock or Watch Manufacture
Clothing, Clothing Accessory, or Other Cloth Product Manufacture (not elsewhere specified)
Commercial Sign Manufacture
Cord, Rope or Net Manufacture
Cushion or Stuffed Toy Manufacture
Custom Tailoring
Drapery Manufacture
Electric or Electronic Product or Component Manufacture (not elsewhere specified)
Eyewear Manufacture
Fabric Manufacture
Footwear Manufacture
Fur Product Manufacture
Gasket or Filter Manufacture
Glass Recycling or Glass Brick, Bottle, or Other Container Manufacture
Glass Shop, Window Installation, or Window Glass Repair or Replacement
Illuminated or Electronic Sign Manufacture
Jewellery or Trophy Manufacture
Leather Product Manufacture
Lighting Fixture Manufacture

Luggage Manufacture or Repair
Marine Pleasure Craft Manufacture
Mattress Manufacture
Modular or Prefabricated Building Manufacture (not elsewhere specified)
Orthotics or Prosthetics Manufacture, Sales, Service, or Repair
Shoe Repair Shop or Leather Goods Repair
Tannery
Taxidermy
Vinyl Window Manufacture

## SECTOR 72 CONSTRUCTION

### Subsector 7210 General Construction

Asbestos Abatement
Blasting or Avalanche Control
Building Demolition
Cellular, Microwave, Radar or Transmission Tower Erection, Installation, Service or Repair
Commercial Refrigeration or Commercial Air Conditioning Work
Commercial Tank or Boiler Installation or Removal
Concrete Cutting or Coring
Concrete Placing, Finishing, Surfacing or Repair
Concrete Pumping
Concrete Reinforcing
Construction Labour Supply or General Labour Supply (not elsewhere specified)
Crane Operation
Deck, Railing or Fence Installation
Decking Application or Waterproofing
Dredging
Drywalling or Acoustic Board Installation
Electrical Work
Finishing Carpentry
Fire and Flood Restoration
Floor Covering Installation (not elsewhere specified)
Framing or Residential Forming
Hardwood Floor Laying or Refinishing
House or Other Wood Frame Construction or Renovation Work
Industrial, Commercial, Institutional or Highrise Residential Construction
Insulation Work or Fireproofing
Interior Decorating
Land Clearing, Excavation, or Site Development
Lathing
Log Home Construction
Low Slope Roofing
Masonry
Mechanical Insulation
Oil or Gas Pipeline Construction or Repair
Overhead Door Installation
Painting or Wallpapering
Plastering or Stucco Work
Plumbing, Heating, Vent, Residential Air Conditioning, or Central Vacuum System Installation or Repair
Pool, Spa or Hot Tub Installation or Structural Repair
Power Pole, Street Light, Powerline, or Transmission Line Installation, Service, or Repair
Prefabricated Steel Building Construction
Scaffolding, Tent, Staging, or Display Booth Rental and Installation
Siding, Awning or Gutter Installation
Sign Installation, Service, or Repair
Steep Slope Roofing
Structural Concrete Forming
Tile Work or Terrazzo Laying
Water Well, Foundational or Directional Drilling
Welding Services or Ornamental Metal Installation

**Subsector 7220** **Heavy Construction**

Bridge, Overpass or Viaduct Construction or Repair
House Raising or Structural Moving of Buildings or Heavy Equipment
Pier, Wharf or Dry Dock Construction or Repair
Pile Driving
Steel Frame Erection or Structural Repair of Steel Frames
Steel Frame Painting, Bridge Painting, or Bridge Cleaning
Structural Concrete Reservoir, Flume, Dam, Dyke, Causeway, or Jetty Construction or Repair
Tunneling

**Subsector 7230** **Road Construction or Maintenance**

Earth and Rock Filled Structure Construction
Highway Maintenance (routine maintenance of all aspects of a specific section of highway)
Highway, Road or Parking Lot Painting
Paving Services or Asphalt Manufacture
Railway Construction, Maintenance, or Demolition
Road Construction or Maintenance (not elsewhere specified)
Snow or Ice Removal
Street Cleaning
Traffic Control

## SECTOR 73 TRANSPORTATION AND WAREHOUSING

**Subsector 7310** **Warehousing**

Cold Storage Plant
Grain Elevator Operation
Recycling Depot
Warehouse Operation

**Subsector 7320** **Transportation and Related Services**

Aircraft Fueling
Aircraft Handling
Airport
Armoured Car Service
Auto Towing
Aviation or Flying School
Barge, Tug, or Other Water Transport of Goods (not elsewhere specified)
Bus Line or Chartered Bus Tours
Courier Services
Distribution Centre
Dump Truck Operation
Ferry Service
Fixed Wing Aerial Work or Other Specialty Air Operations (not elsewhere specified)
Fixed Wing Instrument Flight Rule Operation
Fixed Wing Visual Flight Rule Operation
Garbage, Debris, Industrial Waste, or Recyclable Material Removal
General Trucking (not elsewhere specified) or Domestic Freight Forwarding
General Wharf Operations
Harbour Commission or Port Authority
Helicopter Aerial Work (not elsewhere specified)
Helicopter Instrument Flight Rule Operation
Helicopter Logging
Helicopter Visual Flight Rule Operation
Limousine, Chauffeur or Handydart Services
Loading or Unloading Goods (not elsewhere specified)
Log Hauling
Log Towing
Marine Bulk Terminal
Marine Container Terminal
Marine Piloting
Mobile Home or Boat Towing
Moving and Storage
Newspaper, Magazine or Flyer Distribution or Contract Mail Delivery
Pilot Car or Auto Delivery Services

Railway
Ship Docking
Stevedoring
Taxi Service
Water Taxi or Crew Transport

## SECTOR 74 TRADE

**Subsector 7410** **Retail**

Aircraft and Aircraft Equipment Sales and Leasing
Auctioning or Appraisal Services (not elsewhere specified)
Auto Sales (no service)
Bicycle Shop or Sports Equipment Rental
Butcher Shop
Car or Truck Rental
Department Store
Eyewear Sales or Repair
Firewood Yard
Garden or Landscaping Supply
Gas Bar
General Retail (not elsewhere specified)
Home Improvement Centre
Jewellery, Clock, Watch or Trophy Sales and Repair, or Key Cutting
Light Industrial Equipment, Machinery or Power Tool Rental (less than 500 lbs weight)
Mobile Home Sales or Installation
Music Shop
Party Supply
Retail Art Gallery and Picture Framing
Retail Bakery or Delicatessen
Retail Brewing or Wine Making Shop
Retail Confectionery
Satellite TV Dish Sales, Service or Installation
Supermarket

**Subsector 7420** **Wholesale**

Chemical Wholesale
Clothing, Linen or Other Textile Wholesale
Drug, Vitamin, Pharmaceutical or Beauty Aid Wholesale
Electrical, Plumbing or Heating Supplies, or Packaged Building Supplies, Hardware, or Other Metal Product Wholesale
Electronic Equipment or Light Equipment, Machinery, or Parts Wholesale (less than 500 lbs weight)
Film Distribution
Fish Wholesale
Food, Beverage, or Tobacco Product Wholesale
Hay, Seed, Dry Animal Feed, or Other Similar Farm Product Wholesale
Log Wholesale Trading
Lumber, Plywood, Gyproc, Brick, or Other Similar Building Material Wholesale
Medical or Dental Supplies Wholesale
Packaged Petroleum Product Wholesale
Steel or Metal Wholesale (primary form)
Wholesale (not elsewhere specified)

## SECTOR 75 PUBLIC SECTOR

**Subsector 7530** **Public Administration**

EI Job Creation
Indian Band and Related Operations
Law Enforcement
Local Government and Related Operations

## SECTOR 76 SERVICE SECTOR

**Subsector 7610** **Accommodation, Food, and Leisure Services**

Amusement Facility (not elsewhere specified)
Arcade
Auto Race Course

Bed and Breakfast
Billiard or Pool Hall
Bingo, Casino or Other Gaming Operations
Bowling Alley
Cabin, Cottage, Lodge, Resort, or Other Overnight Rental Accommodation (not elsewhere specified)
Campground
Catering Services (not elsewhere specified)
Chartered Boat Tours
Circus, Carnival, Rodeo, or Mechanical Amusement Ride
Coffee Shops, Ice Cream Parlours, or Other Food Concessions (not elsewhere specified)
Fitness Centre, Gym, or Health Centre
Golf Course, Driving Range, Pitch and Putt, or Lawn Bowling Facility
Guided Tour (not elsewhere specified)
Hair Styling Establishment or Esthetic Services
Hall Rental
Horse Race Course
Hotel
Industrial Catering
Live Performance Production House
Live Performance Road House
Marina or Boat Rental
Massage Parlour, Steam Bath, or Escort Services
Mini Storage
Mobile Catering
Motel
Movie Theatre or Drive-In Theatre
Organizing a Leisure, Social, or Sport Club
Organizing or Conducting Special Events (not elsewhere specified)
Organizing or Operating a Private Camp
Outdoor Sport Tour
Park, Campground or Trail Maintenance
Parking Lot or Valet Parking
Performing Arts
Private Park, Garden, or Zoo
Property Management, Building Rental, or Mobile Home Parks and Strata Corporations
Pub, Bar, Night Club, or Lounge
Public Art Gallery, Museum, or Other Special Interest Building Operation or Related Services
Restaurant or Other Dining Establishment
Rooming House or Hostel
Ski Hill or Gondola Ride
Sport Facility
Sports Administration
Sports Instruction School
Tanning Salon
Travel Agency or Accommodation Registry

**Subsector 7620**

**Business Services**

Accounting or Bookkeeping
Actuarial Services
Administration of an Operation Conducted Outside B.C.
Advertising or Public Relations Services
Broker (not elsewhere specified) or Wholesale (with no stock of goods in B.C.)
Business Consulting
Call Centre
Chamber of Commerce
Cheque Cashing
Clerical Worker Supply
Commercial Stock Audit
Constituency Office, Consulate, Foreign Embassy, or MLA Office
Custom Brokerage or International Freight Forwarding (excluding handling of goods)
Custom Brokerage or International Freight Forwarding (including handling of goods)
Data Processing

Digital Printing
Employers' Association, Marketing Board, or Better Business Bureau
Employment Agency or Aptitude Testing
Environmental Conservation Services
Financial or Lending Institution
Franchisor Services
Graphic Design
Insurance or Bonding Services
Law Office, Notary Public, Labour Relations, or Supplementary Legal Services
Marine Cargo Inspection
Marine Ship Agency and Related Services
Market Research
Modeling, Booking, or Talent Agency
Mortgage Brokerage
Packaged Office Service
Private Investigation, Process Serving, Collection, or Bailiff Services
Product Demonstration
Professional Association
Property Management (administration only)
Publishing (with printing)
Real Estate Agency
Real Estate Appraisal
Records Storage
Research Services (not elsewhere specified)
Security or Stock Brokerage, Financial Planning, or Investment Services
Ship Chandlery or Ship Husbandry
Telemarketing
Telephone Answering Service
Translating or Interpreting Services
Union
Venture Capital Investment
Writing, Publishing, or Map Production (no printing)

**Subsector 7630 Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services**

Air Navigation Support
Animal Humane Society or Wildlife Rehabilitation
Animal Training
Architectural Drafting or Design
Building or Home Inspection
Computer Consulting or Custom Computer Programming
Computer Software Package Design and Production
Computer Software, Audio or Video Duplicating, or Document Scanning Services
Construction Management Consulting
Consulting (not elsewhere specified)
Consulting Engineering
Dental Laboratory
Electrical Corrosion Control
Farrier Services
Forest Management Consulting
Geological, Geophysical or Geochemical Consulting or Analysis
Industrial Testing
Interior Design Consulting
Kennel
Land Surveying
Log Scaling
Marine Vessel Surveying
Medical Diagnostic Laboratory
Motion Picture, Commercial or Television Post Production
Motion Picture, Commercial or Television Production
Pet Grooming
Photo Film Processing or Microfilming
Photography Studio or Photographic Services
Pipeline or Heavy Equipment Inspection
Recording Studio
Scientific Research Laboratory
Television or Radio Broadcasting
Veterinary Hospital or Veterinary Services

**Subsector 7640** **Other Services (not elsewhere specified)**

Aircraft Maintenance or Repair
Armature Winding for Small Motors
Auto Dealership (sales and service)
Auto Glass Shop
Auto Recycling
Auto Service or Repair
Autobody Shop
Automatic Door or Gate Installation, Service or Repair
Bindery
Blind or Drapery Cleaning
Blind or Drapery Track Installation
Car Wash or Auto Detailing
Carpet, Rug, or Upholstery Cleaning Using Portable Equipment
Cemetery or Crematorium
Chimney Cleaning
Commercial Cleaning or Janitorial Services
Commercial Diving
Commercial Laundry or Linen, Uniforms, or Diaper Supply
Commercial Retail Sign Shop or Document Copying Services
Creek or Stream Enhancement
Day Care Centre, Preschool, or Playschool
Domestic Cleaning
Dry Cleaning Facility or Laundromat
Farm Equipment or Parts Sales, Service, or Repair (greater than 500 lbs weight)
Fire Prevention Equipment Sales, Service, Installation, or Inspection
Fish Enhancement
Fruit or Vegetable Packing or Packaging
Funeral Undertaking
Furnace, Duct or Air Vent Cleaning and Servicing
Heavy Equipment or Machinery Rental (excluding scaffolding supply and installation)
Heavy Equipment, Machinery, or Parts Sales, Service, or Repair (greater than 500 lbs weight) (not elsewhere specified)
Hiring or Providing Domestic Childcare
Hiring Workers for Own Home Maintenance
Homemaker Services
Knife, Scissor, Handsaw, or Hand Tool Sharpening
Land Pollution Control
Landscaping or Installation of Lawn Irrigation Systems
Lawn Maintenance, Garden Maintenance, or Weed Control
Light Industrial Equipment, Machinery or Parts, or Power Tool Service or Repair (less than 500 lbs weight)
Locksmithing
Mailing or Addressing Services
Major Household Appliance or Stationary Business Machines or Medical Equipment Service, Repair, or Installation
Marine Pollution Control
Marine Salvage, Marine Log Salvage, or Marine Garbage Collection
Ornamental Plant Rental or Office Plant Services
Paper Shredding
Plastic Laminating, Packing, or Packaging (not elsewhere specified)
Pleasure Boat, Motorcycle, Snowmobile, or Other Leisure Craft Sales and Service
Pool, Spa, or Hot Tub Service
Portable Electronic Equipment or Small Household Appliance Service or Repair
Recreational Vehicle Sales, Service, or Rental
Security Alarm System Sales, Service, Installation, and Repair or Telecommunication, Cable TV, or Other Similar Wiring
Security or Patrol Services
Septic Tank, Sewer, or Sewage Disposal System Services
Service Station

Social Companion Services
Steam Cleaning, Sandblasting, or Pressure Washing of Buildings, Pools or Parking Lots
Steam Cleaning, Sandblasting, or Pressure Washing of Heavy Equipment
Structural Pest Control or Fumigation
Structural Repair of Marine Pleasure Craft
Tree Services (not directly related to the forestry industry)
Vending Machine or Amusement Machine Distribution
Washing Machine or Dryer Distribution (coin-operated)
Window, Gutter or Awning Cleaning

**Subsector 7650** **Education**

College, Trade School, or Vocational School
Driving School
Independent or Private Primary or Secondary School
Library or Resource Centre
Non-Academic School (not elsewhere specified)
Public School District
Tutoring Service
University

**Subsector 7660** **Health Care and Social Assistance**

Acute Care
Alcohol or Drug Treatment Centre
Alternative Health Care
Ambulance or First Aid Services
Chiropractic Services, Chiropractic Care, or Chiropractic Practice
Community Health Support Services
Counselling or Social Services (not elsewhere specified)
Dentistry or Ancillary Dental Services
Fundraising or Charitable Organization
Life and Job Skills Training
Long Term Care
Massage Therapy (licensed)
Optometry
Physiotherapy or Occupational Therapy
Private Medical Practice (not elsewhere specified)
Religious Organization
Residential Social Service Facility
Retirement Home or Seniors' Home (accommodation only)
Short Term Care
Supplementary Health Care
Surgical Centre

**Subsector 7670** **Utilities**

Cable Television Service
Electric Utilities
Gas Utilities
Internet Services
Oil or Gas Transmission (oil or gas pipeline)
Telephone or Telecommunication Services

## SECTOR 81 DEPOSIT SECTOR 8 (formerly Class 10)

**Subsector 8108** **Deposit Sector 8 (formerly Class 10)**

Building Construction
Canadian Airlines International Ltd.
Canadian Pacific Hotels Corporation
Canadian Pacific Railway Company
Cominco Ltd.
Express
Trucking and Hauling
Water Transportation

## SECTOR 82 DEPOSIT SECTOR 9 (formerly Class 18)

**Subsector 8209** **Deposit Sector 9 (formerly Class 18)**

The Burlington Northern and Sante Fe Railway Company

## SECTOR 83 DEPOSIT SECTOR 10 (formerly Class 12)

**Subsector 8310** **Deposit Sector 10 (formerly Class 12)**

Air Canada
Canadian National Railway Company
Via Rail Canada Inc.

## SECTOR 84 DEPOSIT SECTOR 11 (formerly Class 13)

**Subsector 8411** **Deposit Sector 11 (formerly Class 13)**

British Columbia Assessment Authority
British Columbia Buildings Corporation
British Columbia Development Corporation
British Columbia Ferry Corporation
British Columbia Harbours Board
British Columbia Railway Company
British Columbia Systems Corporation
Canada — British Columbia Employment Development Programme
Dental Technicians' Board
Emergency Health Services Commission
Employment Bridging Assistance Programme
First Aid Ski Patrol
Government of British Columbia
Learners in Vocational Training School
Liquor Distribution Branch
Provincial Emergency Programme
Railwest Manufacturing Company
Workers' Compensation Board of British Columbia

## Assessment Statistics (Rateable Employers)

The following statistics are in respect of Rateable Employers only (i.e. excluding Self-Insured Employers and the Federal Government). Assessable payroll includes those portions of earnings up to the maximum wage rate — $57,500 in 1999 and $58,000 in 2000. Assessment statistics for the past eight years are as follows:

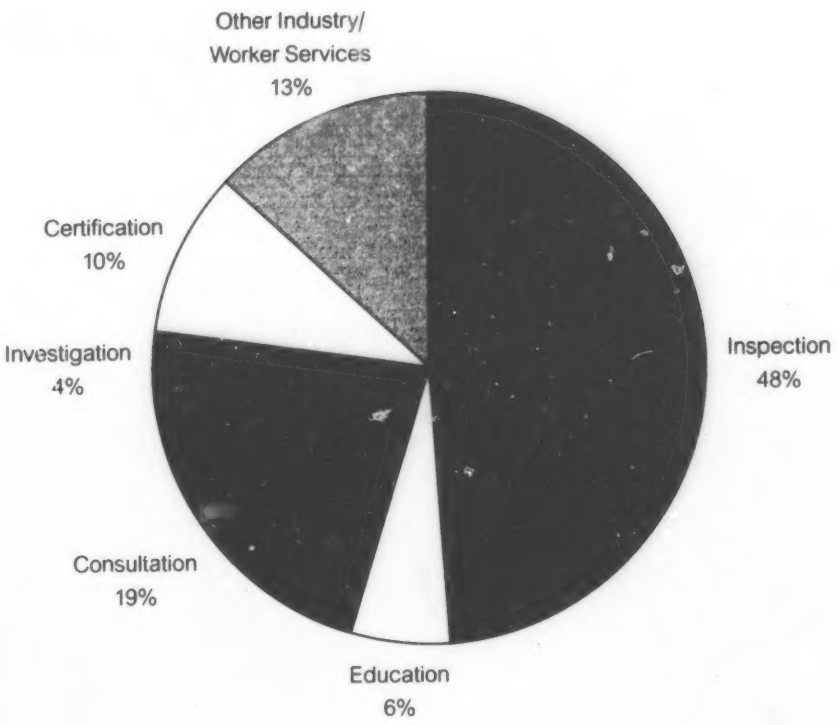
| Year | Number of Employers at December 31 | Assessable Payroll[1] | Premiums[1] | Maximum Wage Rate |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1993 | 115,281 | $32,985,000,000 | $694,944,000 | $50,600 |
| 1994 | 139,601 | $38,550,000,000 | $834,439,000 | $51,300 |
| 1995 | 146,293 | $40,411,000,000 | $924,078,000 | $52,400 |
| 1996 | 152,316 | $41,948,000,000 | $961,774,000 | $54,200 |
| 1997 | 156,233 | $43,935,000,000 | $975,030,000 | $55,800 |
| 1998 | 161,770 | $45,045,000,000 | $907,047,000 | $56,900 |
| 1999 | 164,963 | $46,483,000,000 | $873,983,000 | $57,500 |
| 2000* (*estimate) | 166,598 | $48,498,000,000 | $848,160,000 | $58,000 |

[1] The Assessable Payroll and Premiums shown above for 1999 and earlier differ from the numbers shown for those years in previous editions of this table because the figures in the previous editions included Rateable Employers, Self-Insured Employers, and the Federal Government, whereas the above data is for Rateable Employers only.

# Prevention Statistics

## Breakdown of Field Officers' Time

**2000**

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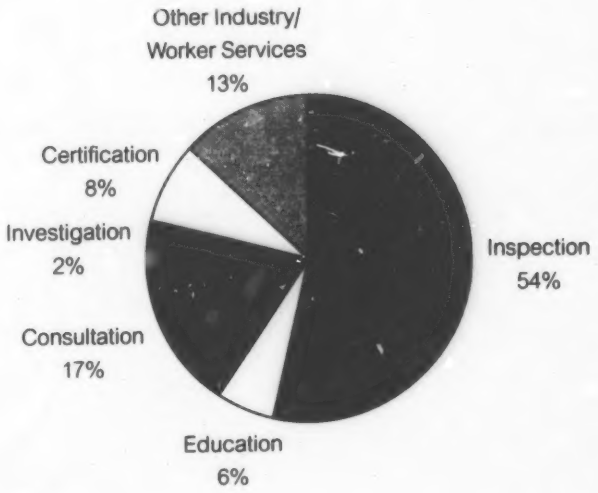


## Regional Services — Field Officers' Time

| Worksite Activity (Hours) | 2000 | 1999 | % Change |
|---|---|---|---|
| Inspection | 133,109 | 134,572 | -1.1% |
| Education | 15,474 | 15,352 | 0.8% |
| Consultation | 51,026 | 43,607 | 17.0% |
| Investigation | 10,555 | 5,060 | 108.6% |
| Certification | 26,276 | 20,083 | 30.8% |
| Other Industry/Worker Services | 35,511 | 32,960 | 7.7% |
| **Total Worksite Hours** | **271,951** | **251,633** | **8.1%** |

| Document Type | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| Inspection Reports | 31,063 | 34,264 |
| Education Reports | 1,892 | 1,819 |
| Contact Records | 14,227 | 12,575 |
| Number of Orders Written | 51,150 | 54,001 |

## Hearing Conservation and Audiology Activities

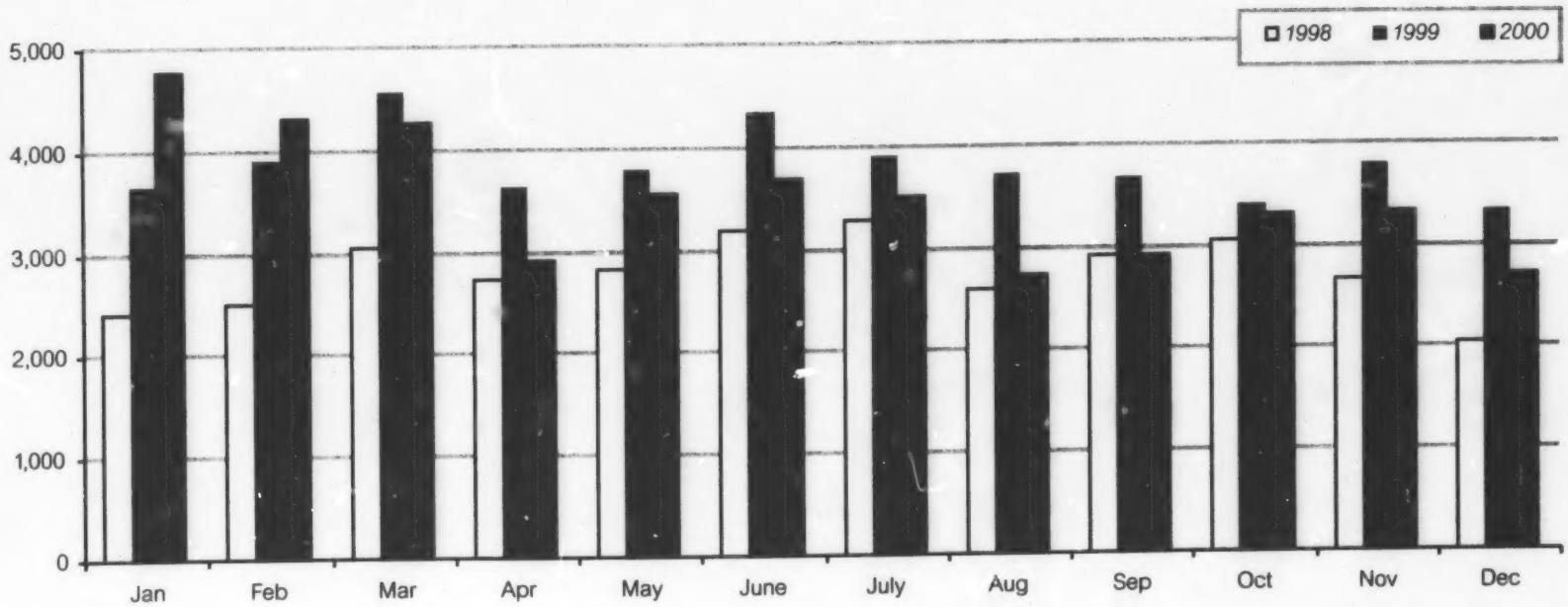
| Hearing Conservation | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| Claim Files Reviewed (medical opinion) | 3,630 | 3,390 |
| Noise Assessments (NIHL Claims) | 2,154 | 2,264 |
| Education Presentations | 6 | 3 |
| Refresher Courses | 19 | 22 |
| Training Courses | 7 | 10 |

| Audiology | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| Audiological Assessments | 946 | 996 |
| Number of New Claims | 2,417 | 2,287 |
| Clinic Audits | 11 | 34 |

## Information Line Call Response Summary

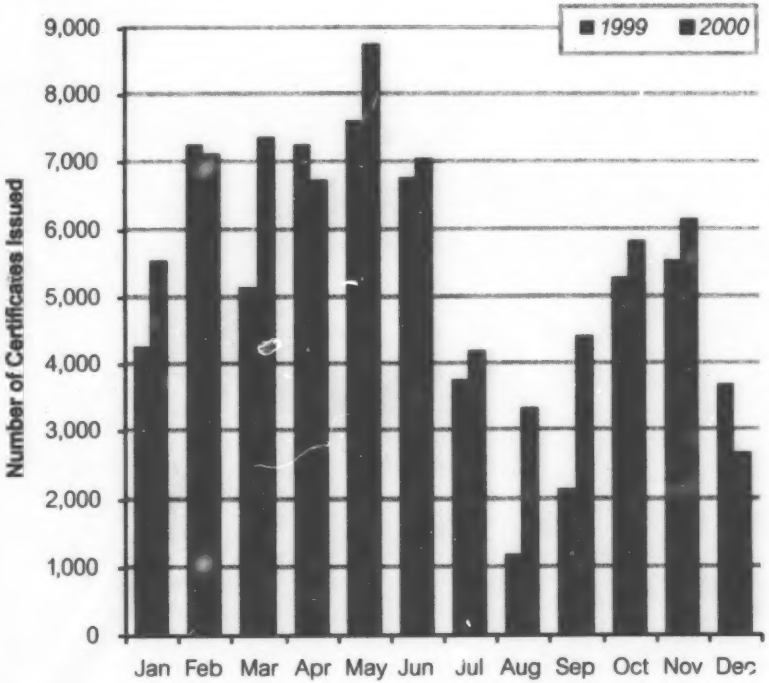
| | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Total Calls | 33,534 | 45,704 | 42,070 |

## Number of Information Calls Received



## First Aid Certificates Issued

### Level 1

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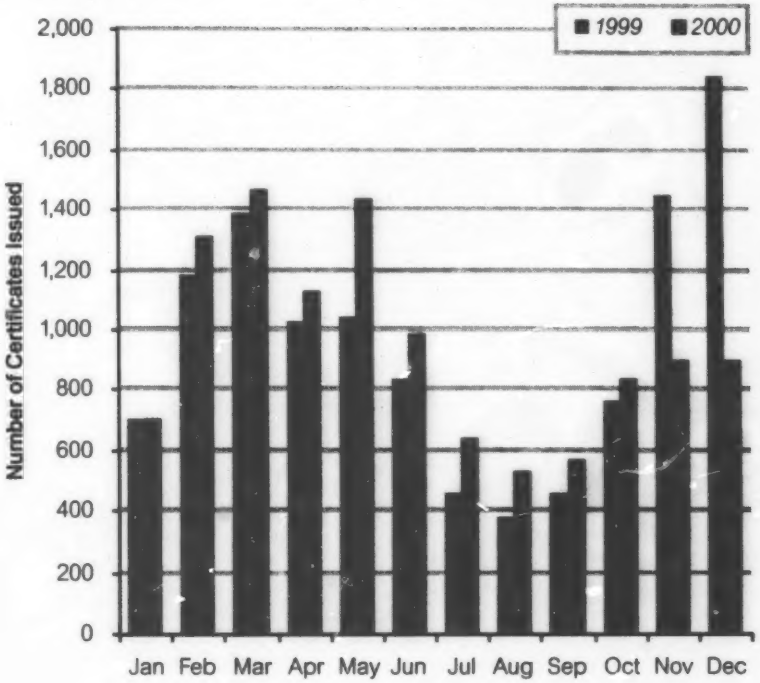



## Certificates Issued

| | 1999 | % Total | 2000 | % Total | % Change |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Level 1 | 59,852 | 71.6% | 69,085 | 74.2% | 13.1% |
| Levels 2 and 3 | 11,520 | 13.8% | 11,384 | 12.2% | -13.9% |
| Transportation Endorsement | 12,231 | 14.6% | 12,669 | 13.6% | 10.1% |
| **Total** | 83,603 | 100.0% | 93,138 | 100.0% | 8.0% |

## Laboratory Services

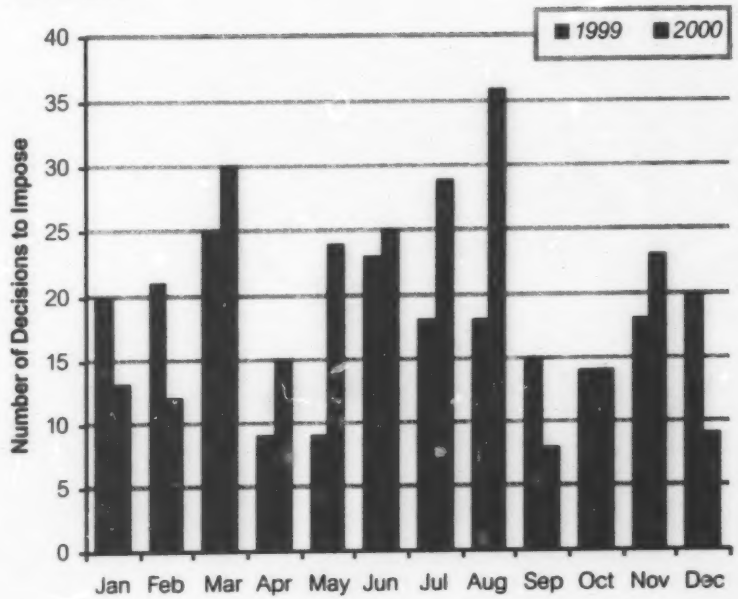
### Laboratory Analyses

| Number of | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Samples | 2,606 | 2,748 | 2,613 |
| Compliance Determinations | 9,047 | 10,013 | 8,794 |
| Quality Assurance Analyses | 550 | 529 | 381 |
| Field Equipment Transactions | 3,208 | 2,198 | 2,087 |

## Review and Penalty Activities

| | 2000 | 1999 | % Change |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Administrative Penalties** | | | |
| Penalties Recommended | 350 | 282 | 24.1% |
| Total $ of Penalty Letters Issued | $3,992,530 | $1,950,981 | 104.6% |
| Penalties Imposed (Number of) | 238 | 210 | 13.3% |
| Penalties Imposed ($) | $1,288,648 | $1,241,079 | 3.8% |
| Warning Letters Issued | 740 | 461 | 60.5% |
| **Decision Reviews** | | | |
| Decision Reviews (Number of) | 125 | 33 | 278.8% |
| **Discrimination Complaints** | | | |
| Complaints (Number of) | 165 | 0 | - |

**Penalties**



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